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**6502 FORTH is here !!** (SEE INSIDE BACK COVER)

## EDITORIAL

This will be the last regular issue of 6502 User Notes as we all know it.

We won't be disappearing altogether, however, just merging with a new magazine called COMPUTE. In fact, you'll be receiving the January issue of COMPUTE instead of #18 of the User Notes as the last issue of this subscription.

The decision to merge with COMPUTE was arrived at only after long deliberation on the future of the 'Notes' and its purpose.

Obviously, I feel that this is the best way to keep some continuity in the support of KIM and KIM-derived products.

I'll be writing a column for COMPUTE magazine so don't look for me to leave the 6502 arena all that quickly.

Actually, I just need some free time for all those personal projects which have been stacking up for a time (noise generation (music?), computerized bio-feedback, several hardware designs, a box for my system, etc.)

You should pat yourself on the back for being a big part of what this publication has become. I thank you.

I haven't mentioned that I am now living in California. Yep, moved again! Am working for Rockwell as their-you guess it?-newsletter editor. Thought that would grab you!!!

## WHAT ELSE IS NEW?

HDE BASIC. As I've reported previously, HDE now has the source code rights to Microsoft BASIC. Well, about a week ago, I received an interim version of HDE BASIC for my comments. Several significant additions have been made to BASIC which really improves its operation. I guess the addition of a line editor really impressed me the most. As you may recall, the lack of a line editor was one of my biggest gripes. The line editor in HDE BASIC operates in the same manner as the HDE Text Editor (TED). This means that only one method of line editing need be learned. In HDE BASIC lines may be moved, appended to and copied. Binary files can be loaded from disk under program control which makes linking to machine language a snap. A command is included that not only appends a program from disk to a memory resident program, but also resequences the line numbers in the appended program to avoid duplicate line numbers. (A very neat trick that I haven't seen in any other version of BASIC). HDE BASIC also supports data files of the same type as MICRO-2 BASIC. There is no facility in the interim version of HDE BASIC for setting up input and output files, but that will be added before the program is released. HDE expects to be offering a full disk BASIC early in 1980.

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BASIC DATA FILES-Sean McKenna is even topping himself with new mods to Microsoft BASIC. He now has KFILES, which is a data file handling system for BASIC designed to operate with cassette mass storage. KFILES will handle up to 8 files at one time with variable length buffers. Complete source listing and sufficient documentation are included. Contact Sean for more details at 64 Fairview Ave, Piedmont CA 94610.

But you can't top that, Sean!

PERRY PERIPHERALS has announced a package of information which will enable KIMSI/S100 users to use the HDE mini-floppy system. The info package sells for \$15.00. Perry Peripherals is also a dealer for the HDE mini-floppy system hardware and software. Check with them for more details. Perry Peripherals, P.O.B. 924, Miller Place, NY 11764. Phone 516-744-6462.

COMPUTE MAGAZINE. The first issue of this mag really impressed me with its size and professional appearance. 104 glossy pages with good graphics, excellent layout and interesting content. Most of the information presented was PET oriented, but there were sections devoted to APPLE, ATARI, AIM, and OSIs ClP. Since most of the material came from the now defunct PET GAZETTE, that's not surprising. Now that 6502 USER NOTES has merged with COMPUTE, the single-board computer will be better represented.

COMPUTE also has a very revolutionary subscription option. They call it their "third level of domestic distribution". Besides the normal dealer distribution mail-order and subscription channels, COMPUTE offers a method whereby a subscriber can pick up his issue of COMPUTE at a nearby computer store (assuming its a COMPUTE dealer) for a reduced subscription rate. This saves money for everyone and promotes more traffic at the local dealer (your local dealer will like this also).

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## 6502 FUTURE (?)

At this time, it seems appropriate to say a few words about what the future looks like for the 6502 family devices-especially in light of Rockwell's move to second source the 68000 and Synerteks' apparent inactivity concerning their proposed 6516 (psuedo-16 bit 6502).

The 6500 series is not dead!!! It may be moving in a slightly different direction than some of the other upward-expanding 8-bit chips but it is not lying dormant!

Synertek and Rockwell are producing (or will be producing) new family devices such as the 6551 ACIA, the 6545 CRT controller, a floppy disk controller, bubble memory controller and a display controller (plus a few more besides). Rockwell has just finished a macro-assembler with relocating-linking loader for their System 65 and is pushing hard with the 6500/1 single chipper. They're planning to introduce a version of the 6500/1 with a piggyback EPROM socket for low volume and/or prototype applications.

Does that sound like a dead product line to you? It doesn't to me either.

Actually, I can't see any end to the need for 8-bit machines-especially clean machines like the 6500. Even if 16 bit super-micros (like the 68000) become the rage, 8-bit systems will still be the perfect solution for applications such as I/O processors, small controllers and the like.

So cheer up!!!!!!!!!!!!

## software feature:

### MATCH THIS

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TRY TO MEMORIZE KIM's RANDOM TONE/LIGHT PATTERN-  
"BONUS" POINTS ARE GIVEN FOR REACHING "MILESTONES".  
AN INTERACTIVE GAME FOR A "NAKED" KIM-1.

This game requires a speaker/amplifier connection to the KIM-1 Application connector PAO port as shown on page 57 of the KIM-1 Users's Manual.

The game initializes page 0 locations by itself, and uses page 0 as a storage register for the game's moves. The program starts from "GO" at 0200 Hex, and occupies memory through 036D Hex.

When the "GO" button is pressed at 0200, a randomly chosen number (either a "0", "1", "2" or "3"), will appear in the KIM-1 display. The number will be positioned corresponding to the bottom four (0,1,2,3,)keys of the KIM keyboard. A tone related to the number displayed will come from the speaker.

The tone/character will appear briefly and stop-KIM awaits your response. Hit the key that matches the displayed character. If you hit the correct key, the same tone/number will be generated. The display will then light showing "b6C0 00", and the right digit will increment to display "b6C0 01" as you watch-this indicates that you've matched one step so far. KIM will now go back and play the first character, and then will add another at random-it may be the same as the preceding one-just play the keys as KIM directs.

### "MATCH THIS"

### PROGRAM LISTING FOR KIM-1

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LABEL	ADDRESS		DATA FIELD			OPCODE	FUNCTION	DESCRIPTION
	A1	A2	D1	D2	D3			
START	02	00	D8			CLD	CLEAR DECIMAL MODE.	
		01	A2	07		LDX#	NO. OF WORDS TO MOVE	INITIALIZE PAGE
MOVE	02	03	BD	55	03	LDAabs+X	FROM INITIAL DATA TO	ZERO FIELDS.
		06	95	D5		STAS+X	PAGE 0 FIELD STARTING WITH D5.	
		08	CA			DEX	NEXT ITEM TO MOVE.	
		09	10	F8		BPL	to MOVE UNTIL DONE.	
		0B	AD	04	17	LDAabs	from TIMER (KIM'S + 1) for RANDOM NUMBER.	
		0E	29	03		AND#	AND with 03 to MASK (STRIP to 0-3).	
	02	10	85	00		STAz	Put RANDOM NUMBER in 0000. (First move).	
	02	12	20	4A	03	JSR	"DELAY" Wait 1/2 second.	
PLAY1	02	15	20	0E	03	JSR	"SOUNDS" Play tone/light display once.	
PLAY2	02	18	A5	DC		LDAz	check MODE reg for 1="TEST", 0="PLAY".	
		1A	D0	16		BNE	to "TEST2" if MODE="TEST".	
		1C	A5	D6		LDAz	get SEQUENCE COUNTER value.	
		1E	C5	D7		CMPE	compare to STEP COUNTER value, and go	
	02	20	F0	0C		BEQ	to "TEST1" if equal.	
		22	E6	D6		INCz	increment SEQUENCE COUNTER for next move.	
		24	A9	00		LDA#	zero MODE to "PLAY" mode.	
		26	85	DC		STAz	so "PLAY" can continue.	
		28	20	4A	03	JSR	"DELAY" Wait 1/2 second.	
		2B	38			SEC	set carry for "branch always"	
	02	2C	B0	E7		BCS	to "PLAY1", to continue.	
TEST1	02	2E	A9	00		LDA#	zero SEQUENCE COUNTER to	
	02	30	85	D6		STAz	begin "TEST".	
TEST2	02	32	A9	01		LDA#	set MODE to "TEST".. ("TEST" = 1)	
		34	85	DC		STAz	store "1" in MODE.	
KEYIN	02	36	A9	00		LDA#	ready and clear DDR (Data Direction Register)	
		38	8D	41	17	STAabs	for safe "GETKEY" usage.	
		3B	AD	04	17	LDAabs	from KIM TIMER + 1 for RANDOM NUMBER and	
		3E	29	03		AND#	AND with 03 to MASK (STRIP to 0-3)	
	02	40	85	DD		STAz	store in RANDOM NUMBER for future use.	
		42	20	6A	1F	JSR	"GETKEY" KIM subroutine- what key is pressed?	
		45	C9	15		CMPE	if it's 15, it's NO KEY PRESSED, so it's back	

When you successfully complete a sequence, the display will show the score you've reached. If you should strike an incorrect key during the sequence, KIM will immediately show an "E" at the display's left and sound a low "BUZZ" through the loudspeaker--the "Bonus Counter" score at the left (next to the "b") will be decremented by one--this means you have one less chance to continue the game (you started with 6 chances), and KIM will then go back to the beginning and replay the sequence to the point you had reached (your highest score at this point) before you made an error. KIM will now wait for your response to continue the game. The program will wait forever at this point--so there's no rush to go on. You may even press "GO" at this point to give up the whole game and restart from scratch if you like.

Continue play as KIM dictates, and you'll eventually repeat up to 6, 15 or 25 tone sequences. These values are "Bonus Milestones" and you will get 1 extra "Bonus Point" in the Bonus Register for reaching each of these scores. A Bonus point represents one extra chance to continue the game for your highest score.

Should you make too many errors, the Bonus Counter will run out of chances. Just as the last "1" disappears from the Bonus display, an "L" will appear in the middle of the display, and you'll hear a low "raspberry" BUZZ tone from the speaker--this will alternate with a display of the highest score you reached before losing. KIM will keep buzzing and flashing like this forever (ignoring all other keypresses) until you press the "GO" button for a moment--this will restart the game from the very start--from scratch ("b6C0 00").

This game has no upper limit, although its score counter will roll over from 99 to 00 points, data will still be added to page zero memory. However, I don't believe anyone will have problems caused by getting that far. (The first person who does, can write a patch to add the "1" in front of the 001)

GOOD LUCK!!

	47	F0 ED	BRQ	to "KEYIN" until a key is pressed.
	49	C9 13	CMF#	if it's 13, it's the GO key, so if it is- go
	4B	F0 B3	BRQ	to "START"-someone didn't like the game so far.
	4D	A6 D6	LDXz	get SEQUENCE COUNTER value for next instruction.
	4F	D5 00	CMFz+X	is the right key pressed? (0,1,2 or 3?), then go
	02 51	F0 33	BRQ	to "INCREMENT" to up the score.
	53	18	CLC	clear carry for illegal key check- if key value
	54	69 FC	ADC#	is added to FC, it'll cause a CARRY if over 3
	02 56	B0 DE	BCS	to "KEYIN" 'cause we'll ignore keys over 3.
				FALL THROUGH to "ERROR" if all above conditions
				are not met-therefore it must be the wrong key.
<u>ERROR</u>	02 58	A9 00	LDA#	zero LOOP STATUS for first pass showing
	5A	85 DE	STAZ	bonus and score counters before loss of point.
	5C	A9 F9	LDA#	"E" character for display.
	5E	8D 40 17	STAabs	put in CHARACTER (PBD register).
	02 61	A9 09	LDA#	"E" will show up in leftmost position.
	63	8D 42 17	STAabs	put in POSITION register.
	66	A0 04	LDY#	"ERROR" tone value for "TONE" subroutine.
	68	20 1E 03	JSR	"TONE" - Sound "ERROR" tone- LOW "BUZZ".
<u>SHOWLOSS</u>	68	20 F4 02	JSR	"SCORDIS" - Show bonus and score values.
	6E	A5 DE	LDAz	check LOOP STATUS to repeat or exit-
	02 70	D0 08	BNE	to ERREND to exit if second pass finished.
	72	C6 D5	DECz	decrement BONUS COUNTER 'cause you goofed!
	74	F0 62	BRQ	BONUS now "0"? too bad-go to "LOSE" subroutine.
	76	E6 DE	INCz	LOOP STATUS to "1"-don't decrement any more.
	78	D0 F1	BNE	to SHOWLOSS to display decremented bonus.
<u>ERREND</u>	7A	20 4A 03	JSR	"DELAY" wait 1/2 second.
	7D	A9 00	LDA#	zero for:
	7F	85 D6	STAZ	SEQUENCE COUNTER to start play from beginning.
	02 81	85 DC	STAZ	MODE to "PLAY" for repeat of sequence.
	02 83	4C 15 02	JMP	"PLAY1" to remind you of sequence.
<u>INCREMENT</u>	02 86	20 0E 03	JSR	"SOUNDIS" -play for valid keypress.
<u>KEYDOWN</u>	89	20 40 1F	JSR	"KEYDOWN" KIM subroutine-wait for key release
	8C	D0 FB	BNE	to KEYDOWN until key is released-avoid errors.
	8E	A5 D7	LDAz	get STEP COUNTER value (highest step reached)
	02 90	C5 D6	CMFz	equal to SEQUENCE COUNTER? then go on
	92	F0 05	BRQ	to INCEND- (don't play any more-show score).
	94	E6 D6	INCz	well then, go on playing.
	96	4C 18 02	JMP	"PLAY2" to continue (but not from 0).
<u>INCEND</u>	99	E6 D7	INCz	increment STEP COUNTER to record progress.
	9B	A9 00	LDA#	zero LOOP STATUS for first score display
	9D	85 DE	STAZ	to show increment of score in DECIMAL.
	9F	20 F4 02	JSR	"SCORDIS" to show bonus and score.
	02 A2	A5 DE	LDAz	check LOOP STATUS if one INCREMENT was done.
	A4	D0 10	BNE	to ONWARDS if it was, otherwise.
	A6	F8	SED	set DECIMAL mode for decimal score increment.
	A7	18	CLC	clear carry so decimal mode adds properly.
	A8	A9 01	LDA#	start with "01" in accumulator, and
	AA	65 D8	ADCz	add this to score in DECIMAL SCORE COUNTER (in acc)
	AC	85 D8	STAZ	put result into DECIMAL SCORE COUNTER, and
	AE	D8	CLD	we've now finished a decimal increment.
	AF	A9 01	LDA#	make LOOP STATUS "1" so increment is not
	02 B1	85 DE	STAZ	repeated again this time.
	B3	20 F4 02	JSR	"SCORDIS" to show bonus,score.
<u>ONWARDS</u>	02 B6	A2 02	LDX#	ready to test for 3 BONUS MILESTONES
<u>BONUCHEK</u>	B8	85 D9	LDAz+X	start by checking DB, then DA, D9-
	BA	C5 D8	CMFz	does DECIMAL SCORE COUNTER equal any of these?
	BC	F0 05	BRQ	to BONUMET if one matches, continue checking
	BE	CA	DEX	by trying against next BONUS MILESTONE.
	BF	10 F7	BPL	to BONUCHEK if all milestones aren't tested.
	02 C1	30 06	BMI	to EXITING since all milestones are tested.
<u>BONUMET</u>	C3	A9 FF	LDA#	if a milestone is reached, make it impos-
	C5	95 D9	STAZ+X	sible to match again this game.
	C7	E6 D5	INCz	increment BONUS COUNTER for MILESTONE was met.
<u>EXITING</u>	C9	A6 D7	LDXz	ready to store RANDOM NUMBER in its new spot.
	CB	A5 DD	LDAz	get RANDOM NUMBER that was generated before,
	CD	95 00	STAZ+X	and store in new page zero location.
	CF	A9 00	LDA#	ready to go back to play mode to continue.
	02 D1	85 DC	STAZ	MODE to "PLAY" (MODE=0)
	D3	85 D6	STAZ	SEQUENCE COUNTER to "0" to play from beginning.
	02 D5	4C 15 02	JMP	"PLAY1" Play the stored sequence from pg. 0.
<u>LOSE</u>	02 D8	A9 B8	LDA#	"L" character for "LOSE" display.
	DA	8D 40 17	STAabs	in CHARACTER register.
	DD	A9 0F	LDA#	fourth position in display.
	DF	8D 42 17	STAabs	in POSITION register.
	02 E2	A0 05	LDY#	"LOSE" tone value (Low BUZZ).
	E4	20 1E 03	JSR	"TONE" - sound for loss.
	E7	20 F4 02	JSR	"SCORDIS" - show score reached before loss.
	EA	20 6A 1F	JSR	"GETKEY" (KIM subroutine) only way out of this-
	ED	C9 13	CMF#	if key is "GO" key-we'll start over again,
	EF	D0 E7	BNE	to LOSE, to stay for good otherwise.
	02 F1	4C 00 02	JMP	to START to begin from scratch.

<u>SCORDIS</u>	02 F4	A5 D5	LDA#	get BONUS COUNTER value for display.
	F6	09 B0	ORA	put a "B" in front of value (could be 1-9).
	F8	85 FB	STA#	put "Bx" in SCANDS page zero register-(LEFT).
	FA	A9 C0	LDA#	"C0" for center display for Count.
	FC	85 FA	STA#	put in SCANDS page zero register-(CENTER).
	FE	A5 D8	LDA#	get value of DECIMAL SCORE COUNTER.
	03 00	85 F9	STA#	put in SCANDS page zero register-(RIGHT)
	02	A9 FF	LDA#	starting value for SCANDS counter.
	04	85 D3	STA#	load SCANDS counter for display time.
<u>SCANDS</u>	06	20 1F 1F	JSR	KIM SCANDS subroutine for display.
	09	C6 D3	DEC#	decrement SCANDS counter (display time).
	0B	D0 F9	BNE	to SCANDS if display time not up yet.
	03 0D	60	RTS	return from SCORDIS subroutine.
<u>SOUNDIS</u>	03 0E	A6 D6	LOK#	get SEQUENCE COUNTER VALUE-where are we?
	03 10	B4 00	LDY#X	get data for this routine from page zero.
	12	B9 E7 1F	LDAabs+Y	convert data to character using KIM rom table.
	15	8D 40 17	STAabs	store data in CHARACTER (char= "0","1","2", or "3")
	18	B9 5D 03	LDAabs+Y	use Y offset in table to find POSITION.
	1B	8D 42 17	STAabs	in 1742-POSITION register for display.
<u>tone</u>	03 1E	BE 67 03	LDXabs+Y	get TONE TIME for this item from lookup table.
	03 21	86 D4	STX#	put this value in page zero counter.
	23	A9 7F	LDA#	ready to open port of B Data Direction Register.
	25	8D 41 17	STAabs	open port for display of character.
	28	A9 01	LDA#	initial data for PA0 port for speaker.
	03 2A	8D 01 17	STAabs	open PA0 port for speaker.
<u>REPEAT</u>	2D	8D 00 17	STAabs	send data out to speaker, "on" or "off".
	03 30	BE 61 03	LDXabs+Y	get TONE data from lookup table.
	33	8E 06 17	STXabs	start KIM timer (= 64) (how long on or off).
<u>BIT1</u>	36	2C 07 17	BITabs	time up yet?
	39	10 FB	RPL	to BIT1 if not done, otherwise go on to
	3B	49 01	BOR	exclusive OR accum. with 01 to flip spkr. bit.
	3D	C6 D4	DEC#	decrement TONE TIME register.
	3F	D0 EC	BNE	to REPEAT to send flipped bit to speaker.
	03 41	A9 00	LDA#	zero so as to end SOUNDIS routine by
	43	8D 01 17	STAabs	closing the speaker port, (no DC to speaker).
	46	8D 40 17	STAabs	and closing the display port.
	03 49	60	RTS	SOUNDIS done-back to where you came from.
<u>DELAY</u>	03 4A	A9 FF	LDA#	ready for maximum delay time (250 ms).
	4C	8D 07 17	STAabs	start KIM timer (= 1024).
<u>BIT2</u>	4F	2C 07 17	BITabs	check for time up.
	03 52	10 FB	RPL	done? back if not, otherwise go on. (back to BIT2)
	03 54	60	RTS	back to where you came from.
<u>INITIAL DATA FIELD FOR START ROUTINE</u>				
	03 55	06	DATA 1	BONUS COUNTER starting value for 00D5.
	56	00	DATA 2	SEQUENCE COUNTER starts at "00"-for 00D6.
	57	00	DATA 3	STEP COUNTER starts at "00"-for 00D7.
	58	00	DATA 4	DECIMAL SCORE COUNTER to "00" for 00D8.
	59	06	DATA 5	MILESTONE 1-Get past "06" and get a BONUS POINT.
	5A	15	DATA 6	MILESTONE 2-Pass "15" and get another point. (DA)
	5B	25	DATA 7	MILESTONE 3-Pass "25" and get yet another. (00DB)
	03 5C	00	DATA 8	MODE starts in "PLAY" ("00") mode. (00DC)
<u>LOOKUP TABLE VALUES FOR "SOUNDIS" ROUTINE</u>				
<u>POS DATA</u>	03 5D	09	DATA 9	FIRST (leftmost) character position in display.
	5E	0B	DATA 10	SECOND character position.
	5F	0D	DATA 11	THIRD character position.
	03 60	0F	DATA 12	FOURTH character position.
<u>TONE DATA</u>	03 61	88	DATA 13	(62 Hz) TONE for character "0".
	62	35	DATA 14	(150 Hz) TONE for character "1".
	63	18	DATA 15	(325 Hz) TONE for character "2".
	64	11	DATA 16	(448 Hz) TONE for character "3".
	65	B0	DATA 17	"ERROR" TONE for "E" character.
	66	C0	DATA 18	"LOSE" TONE for "L" character.
<u>TIME DATA</u>	03 67	20	DATA 19	(230 ms) TIME value for "0" tone.
	68	50	DATA 20	(230 ms) TIME value for "1" tone.
	69	B0	DATA 21	(230 ms) TIME value for "2" tone.
	6A	FF	DATA 22	(230 ms) TIME value for "3" tone.
	6B	80	DATA 23	"ERROR" tone time-3 seconds.
	6C	55	DATA 24	"LOSE" tone time-2 seconds.
<u>END</u>	03 6D	-----	LAST ADDRESS	

OPCODE SYMBOL REMINDER: #= IMMEDIATE ADDRESSING MODE.  
 #= ZERO PAGE ADDRESSING MODE.  
 abs= ABSOLUTE ADDRESSING MODE.  
 +Y,+X= MODE INDEXED BY X OR Y REGISTERS.

# LANGUAGE LAB

## basic

### HOW TO TRANSFER BASIC PROGRAMS FROM PET TO KIM

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If you have Microsoft BASIC running on your KIM, you are already aware of the fact that there aren't many BASIC programs available on KIM cassette! On the other hand, I've managed to collect a fairly large number of programs for my Pet. Since the KIM has floppies and the Pet only has cassette for mass storage, it seemed a natural to transfer the BASIC programs from Pet to KIM.

Since typing the programs into KIM was out of the question (I'm lazy), I searched around for a way to make the two computers do all the work (that's why we have computers, right?)

It wasn't until I came across a program written by Rush Shijanowski that the end of my quest came into view.

Rush programmed his KIM to receive data from Pets' IEEE port and list it out on KIM's printer. He took advantage of the fact that Pet can list a program in ASCII to its' IEEE port.

I modified his program to also save the ASCII text in a buffer for later recovery by KIM BASIC. This would be done by writing a new input routine for BASIC which would get its' input from a text buffer instead of the terminal.

Of course, the ultimate solution would entail further modification to the IEEE to KIM test program to permit it to be the input routine for KIM BASIC. This would simplify the number of work steps but I'm not sure how KIM BASIC would interpret commands which are not in its repertory, such as OPEN, CLOSE etc.

This same technique for getting a computer to LIST a program to some output device can be used to "recover" BASIC programs from other machines such as TRS-80 and probably Apple. (I'm sure about TRS-80 because I saw an article in Kilobaud on how to hook up a printer and list out to it. Nothing says that the printer can't be a hungry BIG KIM!)

Here are the commands to make your PET list out to the IEEE port. To open the bus use, OPEN 4,4  
CMD 4

Then to list a program type LIST

Well, that's a start. You can take it from here.

Eric

PET IEEE PORT Pin	Signal	KIM-1 Applications Connector	Pin
1	DI01	PA0	14
2	DI02	PA1	4
3	DI03	PA2	3
4	DI04	PA3	2
A	DI05	PA4	5 Data
B	DI06	PA5	6
C	DI07	PA6	7
D	DI08	PA7	8
11	ATN	PB5	16
5	EOI	PB4	13 Management
6	DAV	PB7	15
7	NRFD	PB1	10 Handshake
8	NDAC	PB0	9
	GROUND	GROUND	

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01-0010 2000      ;IEEE TO KIM TEST PROGRAM
01-0012 2000      ;WRITTEN BY RUSH SHIJANOWSKI
01-0013 2000      ;MODIFIED BY ERIC C. REHNKE
01-0020 2000
01-0030 2000      PADD  = $1701
01-0040 2000      PBDD  = $1703
01-0050 2000      PAD   = $1700
01-0060 2000      PBD   = $1702
01-0070 2000      BUFFER = $2100
01-0080 2000
01-0090 2000      POINTL = $0000
01-0100 2000      POINTH = $0001
01-0110 2000      OUTCH  = $1EA0
01-0120 2000      CRLF   = $1E2F
01-0130 2000
01-0140 2000      * = $2000
01-0150 2000
01-0160 2000 A9 00      START LDA #0          ;SETUP I/O
01-0170 2002 8D 01 17   STA PADD          ;ON FOR KIM
01-0180 2005 A9 03      LDA #3            ;TO RECEIVE.
01-0190 2007 8D 03 17   STA PBDD
01-0200 200A A9 00      LDA #<BUFFER      ;SETUP BUFFER
01-0210 200C 85 00      STA POINTL        ;IN KIM
01-0220 200E A9 21      LDA #>BUFFER
01-0230 2010 85 01      STA POINTH
01-0240 2012 A9 02      LOOP  LDA #2        ;NRFD HIGH, NDAC LOW
01-0250 2014 8D 02 17   STA PBD
01-0260 2017 AD 02 17   DAVOFF LDA PBD      ;WAIT FOR DAV
01-0270 201A 30 FB      BMI DAVOFF
01-0280 201C CE 02 17   DEC PBD            ;NRFD LOW, NDAC HIGH
01-0290 201F 29 20      AND #20           ;IGNORE BYTES WITH ATN
01-0300 2021 F0 20      BEQ DAVON
01-0310 2023 AD 00 17   LDA PAD            ;GET DATA
01-0320 2026 49 FF      EOR #$FF          ;INVERT IT
01-0330 2028 A0 00      LDY #0
01-0335 202A C9 0A      CMP #$0A          ;IS IT A LINE FEED?
01-0336 202C F0 15      BEQ DAVON          ;IGNORE IT

```

01-0340	202E	91 00		STA (POINTL),Y	STORE IT AWAY
01-0350	2030	E6 00		INC POINTL	
01-0360	2032	D0 02		RNE OUT	
01-0370	2034	E6 01		INC POINTH	
01-0400	2036	C9 0D	OUT	CMF #0D	IS IT A CARRIAGE RETURN?
01-0410	2038	D0 06		RNE PRINT	NO, THEN SKIP CRLF
01-0420	203A	20 2F 1E		JSR CRLF	
01-0430	203D	4C 43 20		JMP DAVON	
01-0440	2040	20 A0 1E	PRINT	JSR OUTCH	
01-0450	2043	2C 02 17	DAVON	RIT PBD	WAIT FOR NOT DAV
01-0460	2046	10 FR		RFL DAVON	
01-0470	2048	30 CB		BMI LOOP	
01-0480	204A			.END	

# BASIC CASSETTE I/O MODS

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I am sending along my versions of CSAVE & CLOAD for the Johnson Computer Company 8.5 K BASIC. I noted wzh interest Don Latham's comments, Vol 12, on the system hanging up on a bad load. My read routine causes a return to command mode after printing????, meaning a load error occurred. Seems to work OK; nothing will list out after a bad load, but you could probably find the error location by poking around wzh the pointers (120-123 decimal) to list it out. I have yet to get any load errors except those I induced to test the routine. I am using an el cheapo General Electric cassette model 335013A (Note: it is the only one I've found around here that works for recorder-recorder duplicating, even Hypertape) that works FINE (in fact, better than most of the more expensive ones we have here).

For those who may not know, you can tack on other programs (subroutines, data stat, etc.) like so:

```
PRINT PEEK (120), PEEK (121)
      XXX YYY
```

```
PRINT PEEK (122), PEEK (123)
      ZZZ AAA
```

```
2000
2000 *****
2000 **KIM-1 BK BASIC *
2000 **CASSETTE SAVE *
2000 **SUBROUTINE *
2000 ** *
2000 ** A MODIFIED *
2000 **VERSION OF HYPER *
2000 **TAPE (JIM BUTTER *
2000 **FIELD) GED *
2000 *****
2000
2000 #PATCHES: #275C 20 00 02
2000
2000 VEB =#17EC
2000 SBD =#1742
2000 SAL =#17F5
2000 SAH =#17F6
2000 EAL =#17F7
2000 EAH =#17F8
2000 PBDD =#1743
2000 CLKONE =#1744
2000 CLKRDI =#1747
2000 ID =#17F9
2000 CHKT =#194C
2000 INCVEB =#19EA
2000 CHKL =#17E7
2000 CHKH =#17E8
2000 INITA =#1E8C
2000 INTVEB =#1932
2000
2000 #ZERO PAGE
2000
2000 TIC =#00F1
2000 COUNT =#00F2
2000 TRIB =#00F3
2000 GANG =#00F5
2000
```

ZZZ is the low order byte (dec. value) of the end pointer. Subtract 2 from this value (call it BBB); if the result is negative, subtract 1 from AAA. (Call it CCC) then

```
POKE 120, BBB : POKE 121, CCC
LOAD
```

Then restore 120 & 121 to their original values

```
POKE 120, XXX : POKE 121, YYY
```

Caution: The additional lines should have line numbers greater than the last statement of the original program.

Hope you can use some of this.

When you record the PATCHED VERSION of BASIC, make sure you record location 4260 (null char)--basic bombs out without it!

```
17F5 00
17F6 20
17F7 61
17F8 42
```

```
2000
2000
2000 **=0200
2000 A9 AD CSAVE LDA #AD ILDA INSTR
2002 8D EC 17 STA VEB
2005 20 32 19 JSR INTVEB SET UP SUB
2008
2008 A9 27 LDA #27
200A 85 F5 STA GANG FLOP FLAG
200C A9 BF LDA #BF
200E 8D 43 17 STA PBDD DIR REG
2011
2011 A2 FA LDX #FA SEND 250
2013 A9 16 LDA #16 SYNC CHAR...
2015 20 61 02 JSR HIC
2018 A9 2A LDA #* START OF FILE
201A 20 88 02 JSR OUTCHT
201D
201D AD F9 17 LDA ID
2020 20 70 02 JSR OUTBT PGM ID
2023 AD F5 17 LDA SAL AND START ADR
2026 20 6D 02 JSR OUTBTC SEND AND CHKSUM
2029 AD F6 17 LDA SAH
202C 20 6D 02 JSR OUTBTC
202F
202F 20 EC 17 DATA JSR VEB
2032 20 6D 02 JSR OUTBTC SEND BYTE
2035 20 EA 19 JSR INCVEB MOVE TO NEXT
2038 AD ED 17 LDA VEB+1
203B CD F7 17 CMP EAL LAST BYTE?
203E AD EE 17 LDA VEB+2
2041 ED F8 17 SBC EAH
2044 90 E9 BCC DATA NO-REPEAT
2046
2046 A9 2F LDA #/ YES-END OF FILE
2048 20 88 02 JSR OUTCHT ASCII VALUE
204B AD E7 17 LDA CHKL SEND CHKSUM
204E 20 70 02 JSR OUTBT
2051 AD E8 17 LDA CHKH
```



```

0254 20 70 02  EXIT  JSR OUTBT
0257 A2 02      LDX ##02
0259 A9 04      LDA ##04 2 EDT CHARS
025B 20 61 02  JSR HIC
025E          JMP RETURN
0261          ; SUBROUTINES
0261          HIC STX TIC
0263 48        HICK PHA
0264 20 88 02  JSR OUTCHT
0267 68        PLA
0268 C6 F1     DEC TIC
026A D0 F7     BNE HICK
026C 60        RTS
026D          OUTBTC JSR CHKT
0270 48        OUTBT PHA
0271 4A        LSR A GET LEFT NIBBLE
0272 4A        LSR A
0273 4A        LSR A
0274 4A        LSR A
0275 20 7D 02  JSR HEXOUT SEND IT
0278 68        PLA NOW THE RIGHT
0279 20 7D 02  JSR HEXOUT
027C 60        RTS

027D 29 0F     HEXOUT AND ##0F CLEAR LEFT BITS
027F C9 0A     CMP ##0A >10?
0281 18        CLC
0282 30 02     BMI HEXA
0284 69 07     ADC ##07 ADD 37 IF ALPHA
0286 69 30     HEXA  ADC ##30 30 IF NUM.
0288          OUTCHT LDY ##07 FOR 8 BITS
028A 84 F2     STY COUNT
028C A0 02     TRY  LDY ##02 SEND 3 UNITS
028E 84 F3     STY TRIB OF 3600 HZ
0290 BE C3 02  ZON  LDX NPUL,Y
0293 48        PHA
0294 2C 47 17  ZONA  BIT CLKRDI WAIT FOR
0297 10 F8     BPL ZONA TIMEOUT
0299 B9 C4 02  LDA TIMG,Y
029C 8D 44 17  STA CLKONE
029F A5 F5     LDA GANG
02A1 49 80     EOR ##80 FLIP 1-0-1-0..
02A3 8D 42 17  STA SBD
02A6 85 F5     STA GANG
02A8 CA        DEX ALL CYCLES SENT?
02A9 D0 E9     BNE ZONA NO,GO BACK
02AB 68        PLA YES,PULL CHAR
02AC C6 F3     DEC TRIB ONE LESS
02AE F0 05     BEQ SETZ BR. IF LAST
02B0 30 07     BMI ROUT BR IF NO MORE
02B2 4A        LSR A
02B3 90 DB     BCC ZON IF ITS A ONE
02B5 A0 00     SETZ LDY ##00 THEN 2400 HZ
02B7 F0 D7     BEQ ZON FORCED BRANCH
02B9 C6 F2     ROUT  DEC COUNT ONE LESS BIT
02BB 10 CF     BPL TRY ANY MORE? GO BACK
02BD 60        RTS
02BE          RETURN JSR INITA RESET PORTS
02C1 58        CLI ACCEPT INTER. NOW
02C2 60        RTS AND BACK TO BASIC
02C3          ; FREQ/DENSITY
02C3 02        NPUL .BYTE #02      ;2 PULSES
02C4 C3        TIMG .BYTE #C3      ;2400 HZ
02C5 03        TRW .BYTE #03      ;3 PULSES
02C6 7E        GED .BYTE #7E      ;3600 HZ
02C7          .END

```

```

2000 *****
2000 ** KIM-1 8K BASIC *
2000 ** CASSETTE LOAD *
2000 ** ROUTINE *
2000 **
2000 ** GLEN DEAS *
2000 ** PO BOX 73 *
2000 ** RUSTON, LA. *
2000 ** 71270 *
2000 *****
2000 ;PATCHES TO BASIC:
2000 ;$2763 - 76
2000 ;$2769 - 4C 4F 41 44
2000 ;
2000 ; 45 44 0D 0A
2000 ; 4F 4B 0D 0A
2000 ; 00 53 41 56
2000 ; 45 44 0D 0A
2000 ; 00
2000 ;LOADED OK : SAVED
2000 ;$27A3 - 4C 00 03
2000 ; JMP TO LOAD ROUTINE
2000 ;
2000 ;ZERO PAGE USAGE: ONLY
2000 ; NORMAL KIM USAGE
2000 ;ID FUNCTIONS RETAINED
2000 ;FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE
2000 ;USE

2000 VEB =#17EC
2000 SBD =#1742
2000 SAVX =#17E9
2000 RDCHT =#1A24
2000 RDBIT =#1A41
2000 RDBYT =#19F3
2000 ID =#17F9
2000 CHKT =#194C
2000 PACKT =#1A00
2000 INCVEB =#19EA
2000 CHKL =#17E7
2000 CHKH =#17E8
2000 INITA =#1E8C
2000 OUTCH =#1EA0
2000 INTVEB =#1932

2000 GUDLOD =#27A6
2000 BADLOD =#2523

2000 CLOAD *=#0300
2000
0300 A9 8D  LOADT LDA ##8D STA ABS. INSTR.
0302 8D EC 17 STA VEB
0305 20 32 19 JSR INTVEB
0308 A9 4C  LDA ##4C
030A 8D EF 17 STA VEB+3 RET.BY JUMP
030D AD C9 03  LDA TAB
0310 8D F0 17 STA VEB+4
0313 AD CA 03  LDA TAB+1
0316 8D F1 17 STA VEB+5
0319
0319 A9 07  ; LDA ##07 RESET PB5=0
031B 8D 42 17 STA SBD
031E
031E A9 FF  ; SYNC LDA ##FF
0320 8D E9 17 STA SAVX
0323
0323 20 41 1A  ; SYNCA JSR RDBIT
0326 4E E9 17 LSR SAVX
0329 0D E9 17 ORA SAVX
032C 8D E9 17 STA SAVX
032F AD E9 17 LDA SAVX
0332 C9 16  CMP ##16 SYN CHAR.
0334 D0 ED  BNE SYNCA
0336
0336 A2 0A  ; LDX ##0A TEST FOR 10 SYN
0338 20 24 1A  SYNCB JSR RDCHT
033B C9 16  CMP ##16
033D D0 DF  BNE SYNC IF NOT THEN AGN
033F CA  DEX
0340 D0 F6  BNE SYNCB
0342
0342 20 24 1A  ; LOADTD JSR RDCHT
0345 C9 2A  CMP #'* START OF DATA?
0347 F0 06  BEQ LOADTD
0349 C9 16  CMP ##16 IF NOT *
034B D0 D1  BNE SYNC
034D F0 F3  BEQ LOADTD

```



```

034F      20 F3 19      ;
034F      20 F3 19      LOADII JSR RDBYT
0352      CD F9 17      CMP ID RIGHT FILE?
0355      F0 0D          BEQ LOADTE
0357      AD F9 17      LDA ID
035A      C9 00          CMP ##00 DEFAULT MODE
035C      F0 06          BEQ LOADTE READ ANYWAY
035E      C9 FF          CMP ##FF
0360      F0 17          BEQ LOADTF IGNORE SA
0362      D0 9C          BNE LOADT

0364      20 F3 19      LOADTE JSR RDBYT GET SA
0367      20 4C 19      JSR CHKT
036A      8D ED 17      STA VEB+1
036D      ;
036D      20 F3 19      JSR RDBYT
0370      20 4C 19      JSR CHKT
0373      8D EE 17      STA VEB+2
0376      4C 85 03      JMP LOADTG
0379      ;
0379      20 F3 19      LOADTF JSR RDBYT GET SA
037C      20 4C 19      JSR CHKT BUT IGNORE
037F      20 F3 19      JSR RDBYT
0382      20 4C 19      JSR CHKT
0385      ;
0385      A2 02          LOADTG LDX ##02 GET 2
0387      20 24 1A      LOADIC JSR RUCHT CHAR.
038A      C9 2F          CMP #' / END OF FILE?
038C      F0 14          BEQ LOADTH
038E      20 00 1A      JSR PACKT
0391      D0 25          BNE LOADTI
0393      CA            DEX
0394      D0 F1          BNE LOADIC
0396      ;

0396      20 4C 19      JSR CHKT
0399      4C EC 17      JMP VEB
039C      20 EA 19      LOADIB JSR INCVEB
039F      4C 85 03      JMP LOADTG
03A2      ;
03A2      20 F3 19      LOADTH JSR RDBYT CHKSUM
03A5      CD E7 17      CMP CHKL
03A8      D0 0E          BNE LOADTI
03AA      20 F3 19      JSR RDBYT
03AD      CD E8 17      CMP CHKH
03B0      D0 06          BNE LOADTI
03B2      ;
03B2      20 8C 1E      JSR INITA
03B5      4C A6 27      JMP GUDLOD
03B8      ;
03B8      20 8C 1E      LOADTI JSR INITA RESET PORTS
03BB      DB            CLD JUST IN CASE
03BC      A2 04          LDX ##04
03BE      A9 3F          HUH LDA #'? ERRORS
03C0      20 A0 1E      JSR OUTCH
03C3      CA            DEX
03C4      D0 FB          BNE HUH
03C6      4C 23 25      JMP BADLOD
03C9      ;
03C9      ;RETURN ADR FROM VEB
03C9      9C            TAB .BYTE #9C,#03
03CA      03            .END
03CB

```

#### LOAD MULTIPLE FILES IN BASIC

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Normally, MICROSOFT BASIC for KIM-1 doesn't allow to load multiple files of source code. But there is a little trick to load more than one source file into memory, allowing use of prepared subroutines, data statements with tables or the RENUMBERING program (see 6502 USER NOTES # 10).

For loading a file, KIM-1 BASIC takes the "pointer to start of program" in \$78, \$79 as the start address for the loader in \$17F5, \$17F6. In \$7A, \$7B, however, the "pointer to start of array table" minus 3 is the end of the former loaded program, and you only have to transfer this address to \$78, \$79 before the second LOAD command. Remember that the addresses are in LO,HI order, and make the correct borrow when subtracting the "3"! If you intend to load another file, you have to transfer the new address from \$7A, \$7B to \$78, \$79 again. After the last LOAD you must correct the start address as BASIC needs it for RUN etc.

Don't forget that the line numbers must be in ascending order, e.g. the separate files must have line numbers in different blocks with correct order!

Example:

```

NEW
OK
LOAD
LOADED
PRINT PEEK (120);PEEK(121);PEEK(122);PEEK(123)
66 64 141 65
OK
POKE 120,138:POKE 121,65
OK
LOAD
LOADED
POKE 120,66:POKE 121,64
OK

```

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Dear Eric,

First, let me say that 6502 User Notes is top quality and getting better with each issue. Keep up the good work.

I have been following the Tiny Basic items with particular interest and feel that Michael Day, Lew Edwards and William Clements are to be congratulated for their contributions in issues #13-15. The following comments may be of interest:

a) In Day's string mods, KIM owners who are using the TTY I/O routines GETCH and OUTCH will

have problems, since these do not save the Y register. Rather than reassemble the code, you can set up a couple of buffer I/O routines as follows:

```

INPUT  JSR  GETCH      OUTPUT JSR OUTCH
        INY
        RTS            INY
                        RTS

```

and change your JMP vectors at \$0206 and \$0209 to wherever you tuck these routines in. There is also a pretty obvious typo at 0B82: 02 should be 20. These string features are really interesting to play with. (The BNE instruction at \$0B7B in Tiny B must be changed to BEQ for this mod to work).

b) In Clements tape SAVE and LOAD mod, one item was omitted from the list of revised branches: at IL relative address 00DD, the "30E2" should be changed to "30F9". This mod also works great, although personally, I have reservations about adding IL workload (I seldom use "Let" expressions) for non-run-time extensions and prefer to use an input trap routine. But that is another story.

# SUPERKIM

- 5 volt 3 amp, 12 volt .1 amp power supply (less AC transformer)
- Up to four bidirectional 8 bit in or out serial shift registers (1 6522 supplied)
- Up to 9 counter/timers (3 supplied)
- Up to 4K bytes of 2114 static RAM (1K supplied)
- Up to 16K EPROM (2732) or 8K EPROM (2716)
- Up to 9 bidirectional 8 bit in/out ports (3 supplied, 2-6530, 1-6522)
- Up to 4 programmable tone generators (1 6522 supplied)
- 8 vectored, priority, latched interrupts (4 separate real time clocks possible)
- RS232 serial interface, TTY interface
- 3" x 10" prototype area
- KIM-1\* audio tape interface, totally KIM-1 software compatible
- 11-1/2" x 11-1/2" double sided, solder masked, singleboard computer, fully socketed
- 200 gold wire wrap pins for easy connection to CPU buss and all in and out pins to wire wrap sockets installed in the prototype area
- 20 key Hex keypad with gold plated PC board, tactile feedback and separate injection molded keys (can be remotely mounted)
- 6, 7 segment LED's on separate piggy backed PC board (can be removed for remote mounting)

Here is a powerful microprocessor control system development tool and a complete real-time multitasking microcomputer in one package. There is no need to buy a power supply, motherboard, memory boards and separate I/O boards when your requirements may be satisfied by a SUPERKIM. You may only need a couple of wire-wrap sockets and a few LSI chips installed in the big 3" x 10" onboard prototype area to accomplish the required memory expansion and interface with the real world.

Some single chip interface devices available are: UARTS, 16 channel-8 bit analog to digital data acquisition systems, floppy disk controllers and dot matrix printer controllers. Furthermore, you will shortly be able to buy single 5 volt supply pseudo static 8K byte (that's right, you read it right, 8K x 8 bits) memory chips in a single 28 pin package. These chips use the same technology developed for the 64K bit dynamic RAMs now being manufactured by TI, MOTOROLA and others. Just five of these chips and four 2732 EPROMs in the sockets already supplied in the SUPERKIM will yield a fully populated SUPERKIM with 44K bytes of RAM, 16K bytes of EPROM with serial and parallel I/O ports, and enough room leftover in the prototype area for a LSI floppy disk controller chip. MOSTEK already has, on the market, a 2K byte version of this memory chip that is pin compatible with the 8K byte version; no need to rewire your sockets when the larger memories become available. Put in 14K now and upgrade later to 44 K.

If you started with a KIM-1, SYM-1 or AIM-65 and tried to expand it to the basic capabilities of the SUPERKIM, you would need a

power supply (\$60), a motherboard (\$120), a prototype board (\$30), a memory board (\$120), and an I/O board (\$120) for a total cost of from \$620 in the case of the KIM-1 to \$825 in the case of the AIM-65. You still would not have real time multitasking capabilities.

Multitasking is a situation where the microcomputer appears to be doing more than one job simultaneously. For example, the microcomputer could be sending data to a printer, accepting analog data from a 16-channel data acquisition system and presenting data to an operator monitoring a LCD or LED display, all the while keeping track of time.

Multitasking is accomplished on the SUPERKIM by use of vectored priority interrupts and a real time clock. This real time clock is implemented using one of the four onboard 6522 programmable tone generators.

The SUPERKIM, with its keyboard, display and ROM monitor, can be used as a system analyzer for troubleshooting hardware and software in-the-field or during the system development as an in circuit emulator. The monitor can stop the CPU at any point in the program, step through the program, change the contents of the systems' memory and CPU registers, and record the CPU's registers during a selected portion of the program. It offers one of the most powerful combinations of development and diagnostic tools available on the market today.

All of the above is unavailable on any other singleboard computer at any price.

\* KIM-1 is a product of MOS technology

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I have developed a small (74 bytes) utility program which makes it pretty easy and straightforward to load machine-code routines. If you feel that your readers would be interested, the enclosed listing and example of use will make most of it clear, together with these additional comments.

My system is a KIM-1 with an additional 8K bytes of RAM, located at \$2000 to \$3FFF. My version of Tiny Basic is TB651T, V.1T, which loads at \$2000 and extends to \$28C6. Day's multiple statement per line mode are tucked into the remaining \$2800 space, and the next 1K is allocated to utilities, like tape I/O (I use Lew Edwards' ZIPTAPE, the greatest thing to come along since sliced bread!), Selectric print routines, etc. User space is allocated starting at \$2D00, but this can vary.

EZLOAD is an interface routine which scans the output stream looking for a unique prefix character. When it finds it, it then proceeds to convert each following pair of characters into a hex byte which is placed at the top (bottom?) of the Basic stack. Anyway, the bytes are shuffled along the stack, with the Basic stack pointer and variable "A" (an arbitrary choice) keeping up with the head of the code. The loading stops when a carriage return comes along, but may resume and stop several times. When the dust finally settles, the machine code is neatly arranged in execution order at the top of user space, with not a byte wasted, and with "A" all set to be used as the first parameter in a USR function call.

The machine code is written into REM statements, and will print in readable form when listed. It is, in fact, loaded by being LISTed, and is effectively wiped out by a warm start (the Basic stack pointer is reset) or by the execution of an END statement, which ends up doing a warm start for you. The best way to use a program with EZLOAD machine code is to do a command-mode END, list the program, then RUN it.

The code will not load when you are first typing it in, unless you have an I/O setup with external echo. You may be tempted to use the selected prefix character in a run-time PRINT "...", but this will clobber your stack when it is in use for other things. With some slight changes, though, this presents some intriguing possibilities. Obviously, the programs may be saved on tape, and later loaded with their machine-code still intact and usable. This is a considerable benefit.

EZLOAD was written with severe space constraints, consequently some niceties were left out, such as checking for stack over flow. In particular, it will not work as is unless some modifications are made to Tiny's memory grab code in the cold start areas. These are detailed below. Users with more bytes available might want to check for valid HEX code characters (KIM's PACKT will return with Zero bit set if valid, reset otherwise, assuming you enter with Y equal 0) and use the validity check to step over spaces and other readability aids. You could also use several of Tiny's variables to point to various code segments, or several different prefixes, etc etc.

The trouble with the cold start code, insofar as this program is concerned, is that it runs the top-of-user-space pointer (\$0022-23) to the last real RAM location plus one. That plus one I didn't need! And contrary to what the Experimenter's Kit seems to say (top of page 6), the Basic stack pointer must be decremented before use, not after; these conditions presented severe problems in initializing EZLOAD, beyond resetting the load flag which is done by the first carriage return from a warm start. So that cute memory grab finally had to go!

In my version of TB, the cold start vector jump at \$2000 points to \$2085. The code from \$2085 thru \$20A9 initializes both the start and end of user space pointers (\$0020-21 and \$0022-23, respectively). The following code was substituted: (You should, of course, use your own start and end values):

```
2085 A9 00    COLDST LDA #000
2087 85 20    STA $20
2089 A9 2D    LDA #2D
208B 85 21    STA $21 ; user space start
                      at $2D00

208D A9 FF    LDA #FFF
208F 85 22    STA $22
2091 A9 3F    LDA #3F
2093 85 23    STA $23 ; user space end at
                      $3FFF

2095 A0 00    LDY #000 ; zero Y register
2097 4C AA 20  JMP $20AA ; for rest of init

20AA D8      CLD ; existing code
20AB A5 20    LDA $20
                etc
```

In the following warm start code, the Basic stack pointer \$0026-27 is made equal to top-of-user-space pointer \$0022-23. The worse this mod can do (I hope!) is to prevent the use of byte \$3FFF in the Basic stack.

I have not yet had any problems in using EZLOAD, but Murphy says that someone out there will, and probably the first time out. I would be interested in any comments or suggestions.

```
2CB2          EZLOAD ORG    $2CB2

                ZERO PAGE LOCATIONS

2CB2          TOPL  *        $0022  TOP LIMIT OF
2CB2          TOPH  *        $0023  USER SPACE
2CB2          SPL  *        $0026  T-B STACK
2CB2          SPH  *        $0027  POINTER
2CB2          ALO  *        $0082  TINY'S
2CB2          AHI  *        $0083  VARIABLE "A"
2CB2          FLAG *        $00F8  LOAD ON/OFF SW
2CB2          POINTL *      $00FA  POINTER FOR
2CB2          POINTH *      $00FB  LOAD ROUTINE

                KIM SUBROUTINES

2CB2          PACKT *        $1A00  CONV ASCII/HEX
2CB2          OUTCH *        $1EA0  OUTPUT CHAR
2CB2          INCPT *        $1F63  INCR LOAD PTR

                SET T-B OUTPUT JMP VECTOR AT $2009
                TO ADDRESS $2CB2

2CB2 48      ENTRY PHA
2CB3 20 A0 IE JSR  OUTCH  THEN PRINT IT
2CB6 C8      INY        ZERO Y-REG
2CB7 68      PLA
2CB8 C9 0D    CMPIM $0D   WAS IT CR?
2CBA F0 0A    BEQ  SETFLG EXIT LOAD MODE
2CBC 24 F8    BITZ  FLAG  LOAD MODE ON?
2CBE 70 09    BVS  ALOAD YES - 1ST CHAR
2CC0 30 0C    BMI  BLOAD YES - 2ND CHAR
2CC2 C9 5C    CMPIM '^'  PREFIX CHAR?
2CC4 D0 02    BNE  OUT    NO - SKIP
2CC6 85 F8    SETFLG STAZ FLAG
2CC8 60      OUT  RTS

2CC9 06 F8    ALOAD ASL  FLAG  TOGGLE BIT
2CCB 4C 00 1A JMP  PACKT  1ST NYBBLE
2CCE 46 F8    BLOAD LSR  FLAG
2CD0 20 00 1A JSR  PACKT  CODE BYTE IN ACC
2CD3 91 22    STAIY TOPL  PARK IT
2CD5 A6 26    LDXZ SPL   NOW DEC
2CD7 D0 02    BNE  SKIP  STACK PTR
2CD9 C6 27    DECZ SPH
2CDB A5 27    SKIP  LDAZ SPH  COPY TO
2CDD 85 FB    STAZ POINTH LOAD PTR
2CDF 85 83    STAZ AHI   & VAR "A"
2CE1 CA      DEX
2CE2 86 26    STXZ SPL
2CE4 86 FA    STXZ POINTL
2CE6 86 82    STXZ ALO
```

```

2CEB C8      SHUFL INY      MOVE ALL
2CE9 B1 FA    LDAIY POINTL BYTES DOWN
2CEB 88      DEY          ONE PLACE
2CEC 91 FA    STAIY POINTL
2CEE 20 63 IF JSR      INCPT
2CF1 A5 FA    LDAZ POINTL CK IF
2CF3 C5 22    CMPZ TOPL  ALL DONE?
2CF5 A5 FB    LDAZ POINTH
2CF7 E5 23    SBCZ  TOPH
2CF9 90 ED    BCC  SHUFL  MORE
2CFB 60      RTS        NEXT CHAR..

```

SAMPLE ORG \$0200

THIS IS A SAMPLE MACHINE-CODE ROUTINE  
TO ILLUSTRATE USES OF EZLOAD

SET UP A NUMERICAL ARRAY OF 128  
16-BIT ELEMENTS IN MEMORY SPACE  
2A00-2AFF, INDEXED BY 0 TO 127

READ ROUTINE, R=USR(A,I), WHERE R=CONTENTS  
OF ARRAY(I), A=ADDRESS, I=SUBSCRIPT

```

0200 98      READ  TYA      TRANSFER INDEX
0201 0A      ASLA      MULTIPLY BY 2
0202 AA      TAX       USE FOR INDEXING
0203 BD 00 2A LDAAX $2A00 INTO ARRAY
0206 E8      INX       NOW GET
0207 BC 00 2A LDYAX $2A00 HIGH BYTE
020A 60      RTS

```

WRITE ROUTINE, Z=USR(B,W,I), WHERE Z=DUMMY  
B=ADDRESS, W=VAL TO BE STORED, I=SUBSCRIPT

```

020B 86 F9    WRITE STX2 $F9  PARK X FOR NOW
020D 0A      ASLA      SUBSCRIPT * 2
020E AA      TAX       USE FOR INDEXING
020F 98      TYA
0210 9D 00 2A STAAX $2A00 STORE LO BYTE
0213 A5 F9    LDAZ $F9  GET HI BYTE
0215 E8      INX       ..AND
0216 9D 00 2A STAAX $2A00 STORE IT
0219 60      RTS

```

```

1 REM \980AAABD002AE8BC002A60
2 REM \86F90AAA989D002AA5F9E89D002A60
3 REM
4 REM PROGRAM TO DEMO USE OF EZLOAD
5 REM
6 REM MACHINE CODE CREATES ARRAY READ AND WRITE FUNCTIONS
7 REM BASIC PROGRAM LOADS 64 RANDOM NUMBERS AND PRINTS THEM
8 REM THEN SORTS THE ARRAY AND PRINTS THE RESULTS
9 REM
10 B=A+11:C=0
20 Z=USR(B,RND(1000),C):C=C+1:IF C<64 GOTO 20
30 GOSUB 100
40 REM SORT THEN PRINT
50 R=63
60 F=0:C=0:L=R
70 IF USR(A,C)<=USR(A,C+1)GOTO 90
80 T=USR(A,C):Z=USR(B,USR(A,C+1),C):Z=USR(B,T,C+1)
85 F=1:R=C
90 C=C+1:IF C<L GOTO 70:IF F=0 GOSUB 100:GOTO 60
95 END
100 C=0:PR
110 PR USR(A,C):C=C+1:IF C-C/8*8=0 PR:IF C<64 GOTO 110
120 PR:RETURN

```

!RUN

985	633	946	338	310	186	51	816
230	248	700	186	143	65	47	456
126	831	161	173	230	681	268	869
344	477	673	609	187	981	597	496
244	58	256	541	142	917	365	183
210	263	510	333	967	420	560	145
370	774	487	919	46	838	342	614
340	606	534	318	995	326	614	695

46	51	58	126	142	143	145	161
173	183	186	186	187	210	230	230
244	248	256	263	268	310	318	326
333	338	340	342	344	365	370	420
456	477	487	496	498	510	534	541
560	597	606	609	614	614	633	666
673	681	695	700	774	816	831	838
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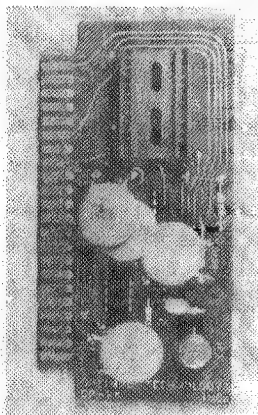
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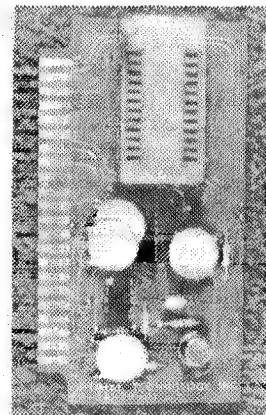
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# assembler

ASSEMBLER FORMAT CONVERSION

Eric

Transferring Micro-Ade assembler source files over to the MOS/HDE assembler format is not very difficult. First, use the ID=FF KIM cassette read option and load the files into your text buffer (wherever that may be). Examine KIM address 17ED, 17EE and find out the location of the last byte that was loaded. Go to this address and enter a \$0D, then insert a \$1F (end of file marker) in the next location. Re-enter the text editor and let it know that there is an active file in the text buffer. With the HDE Editor all you do is execute a FIL A xxxx where xxxx is the start address of the active file. Both source file formats use packed BCD line numbers so at this point you can actually list the file. Oh, one more thing—the first character in the Micro-Ade file is a \$0D—this must be changed to \$00 also change the third character to a \$20. NOW you can list the file.

From here on in it's just a matter of editing. Most of the stuff, such as CMPIM or ORG \$0200 can be changed to CMP # and \*\*=\$0200 by use of the 'string search and replace' command in the HDE text editor.

Other things, such as indexed instructions and byte tables will have to be changed using the EDT (line edit) command. Don't forget to install a .END directive at the end of the file so the assembler knows when to quit.

MORE ON THE 2 PASS PATCH FOR THE ARESCO ASSEMBLER

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This should help to clarify the use of my two-pass patch with the Areasco assembler. The code that is needed for the \$E000 version is:

```
E57A 4C F0 F0
F0F0 B1 52 A0 03 29 1F C9 10 D0 01 88 A9 01 4C 7D E5
```

In order to understand how this patch works, you must realize why we need two pass assemblers. When you assemble a program with the original assembler you will set a listing that will generally have a lot of \*\*'s in the machine code columns. This is because a forward reference was made to a label not in the symbol table. The assembler did not know what to do so it places a \*\* in the listing. Later when the label is defined it will update the object code in the machine but it cannot do anything about the listing. When the assembler is finished you will have an incomplete listing but the symbol table in the machine will be complete.

The assembler allows a source to be assembled in segments by assembling the first segment from \$E000 and all the rest from address \$E011. You

can use this as a two pass assembler by assembling a source program twice. The first time start the assembler at \$E000 which the "A" command will do from the editor. Then reassemble the same program a second time starting at address \$E011. The first assembly will produce a complete symbol table that the second one will use. The machine code will be reproduced and copied over the first version but the important thing is that with a complete symbol table that assembler will not have to do any forward references the second time. This means no \*\*'s.

You may wonder what happens on the second pass when the assembler encounters the labels that are previously defined in the symbol table. Fortunately the assembler is written so that you may define a label as many times as you like as long as you always define it to be the same value.

Now this sounds like a tricky way to get a clean listing, so why is a patch needed. Well the problem is caused by the way the assembler handles forward references. When you use a forward reference it must allocate enough memory space to hold that instruction. Since instructions that use memory can be either 2 or 3 bytes it always allocates 3 bytes for a forward reference. If when the symbol is defined it finds that only 2 are needed then it will fill in with a NOP.

So, if you use a forward reference for a 2 byte instruction, it will allocate 3 bytes for it. Now when the assembler is run the second time it will not see any forward references so that the instruction will be allocated 2 bytes. Every label after that instruction will be assembled as one less than is listed in the first run symbol table and will be counted as an error.

This can only occur when you make a forward reference that assembles into a 2 byte instruction. The only instruction that do this are page zero instructions and branch instructions. You can allocate all of the page zero memory at the start of your program and no forward references will be required however the branch problem requires the patch. The patch will perform a test on the opcode that is used in a forward referenced instruction. If it is a branch then the length is forced to two bytes. Using the patch may cause some strange errors in the first pass but they all seem to come clean in the second pass. Leave the END statement out of your program until the last pass of the last segment so that the symbol table will not be printed.

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WHILE LAYING OUT THIS ISSUE, I SCREWED UP AND HAD THIS PAGE BLANK. SO HERE'S A SECRET SECTION OF SOME COMMENTS WHICH I HAD PLANNED TO PUT IN THE LETTERS SECTION BUT SOMEHOW "RAN OUT OF ROOM". IT DOES MAKE ME FEEL A BIT BETTER TO KNOW THAT MY ORGANIZATION RATHER THAN MY CALCULATIONS WERE SLIGHTLY OFF.

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Dear Eric,

After reading your latest issue (no. 13) it seems that you intend to make the MOS Technology 44 pin bus the only KIM bus. That is really great if you have a MOS Technology, HDE, or Atwood 44 pin motherboard. However, the MOS Technology "K" series cards will not fit the HDE or Atwood motherboard and special mechanical adapters must be used to allow the HDE boards to plug into the MOS Technology motherboard! Some standardization! The point is, if no one can agree on one specific standard, why not develop several that can be followed depending on which is best for the individual at any given time.

I propose, therefore, that there be at least two standards: (1) the MOS Technology 44 pin bus and (2) the Forethought Products KIMSI S100 bus. Both work equally well, but are obviously not interchangeable. This will allow those of us who have 44 pin mother boards to standardize our designs and software and those of us who have KIMSI S100 bus systems to standardize our software and determine which S100 boards will or will not work on the KIMSI system.

At the present I am running a KIMSI S100 system with 32K of RAM, 16K EPROM, a real time clock, and a CCRS disk controller and DOS. The CCRS disk system and SA-400 mini-disk drive cost me only \$600 which is \$100 less than the HDE mini-disk system. The DOS works fine and I have had no trouble with either the controller or the drive.

I have patched the DOS into Micro Z's version of the Microsoft, KIM 9 digit Basic. The link sub-program can reside either outside of or inside of the basic interpreter. When located inside the basic interpreter, it takes the place of the Hypertape program.

The Micro Z Basic is very good and does not require the "Y" or "N" answer to the SIN, COS, TAN mode question. It is slightly larger than the Johnson Computer basic, but this is no problem. If you plan to program in Basic you should have at least 16K or more of RAM.

The new 6502 User Notes looks very good and will continue to receive my support.

Eric

I happened to be going over some back issues of the Notes and noticed several repetitions of a misconception about video displays. Occasionally, one will hear that such a product displays 64 characters per line "or less for use with modulators." I'm presently running 64x16 characters via a VHF modulator into two different color TV's with no trouble!

The trouble is a confusion between bandwidth, resolution, and rise times in a video display system. Indeed, if you work out the math for a dot-matrix character generator you find that the highest frequency components of the video signal are just within reach of a good monochrome monitor and way beyond the normal frequency response of a modulator/TV combination.

We aren't dealing with a smoothly modulated signal, however. The video signal is a fast-rising pulse train, producing overshoot and ringing in the receiver. Although usually considered a problem, these characteristic "overdriven amplifier" conditions serve to enhance the visual display of a video character much as the "crispening" knob on a Sony Trinitron serves to increase the apparent sharpness of a TV picture.

So, in practice, the only trouble with a 64 character line is that narrow vertical lines tend to be a bit dimmer than horizontal strokes. Careful adjustment of the receiver's fine tuning, contrast, and sharpness (if any) controls will minimize this problem.

I am presently using a XITEX SCT-100 video board and a homebrew modulator using a National LM1889 chip. I've seen other combinations that work as well.

I just ordered a copy of the FORTH Interest Group's implementation of FORTH for the 6502. It will supposedly be ready in August and I'll let you know how it works at that time.

I also received one of the Computerist's first motherboards (the Mother-Plus.) It seems to be pretty good; there's a few traces on the PC board that run mighty close to mounting nuts, etc., but it does work. One interesting thing...I bought this board as it's the only one to my knowledge that easily accepts the double edge connector format of the KIM and Bob Tripps other boards. What it does not take is an early serial number Memory Plus board! Apparently, the layout designer for the first Memory Plus boards got the interconnector spacing wrong so you have to do a bit of filing and connector moving to get the board to enter the motherboards' connectors.

What interests me about this Motherboard is that, even though it supposedly only takes 5 boards, in an actual system it may take more. If you have a messy collection of boards from various vendors using the S-44 bus, your memory, I/O, and other boards will tie up slots on both busses (for boards from the Computerist) or only on the "Expansion Bus" side (for HDE, etc.). So, this gives

you several uncommitted and unwired 44 pin edge connectors on the "Applications" side that you can use to build up those utility circuits that don't connect to the S-44 bus; AC line drivers, relays for cassette control, I/O port controlled PROM burners, etc. Vector boards are available to fit with edge pins and all.

I'm presently rewiring my motherboard to take advantage of this and get out of the present "rat's nest in a box" effect.

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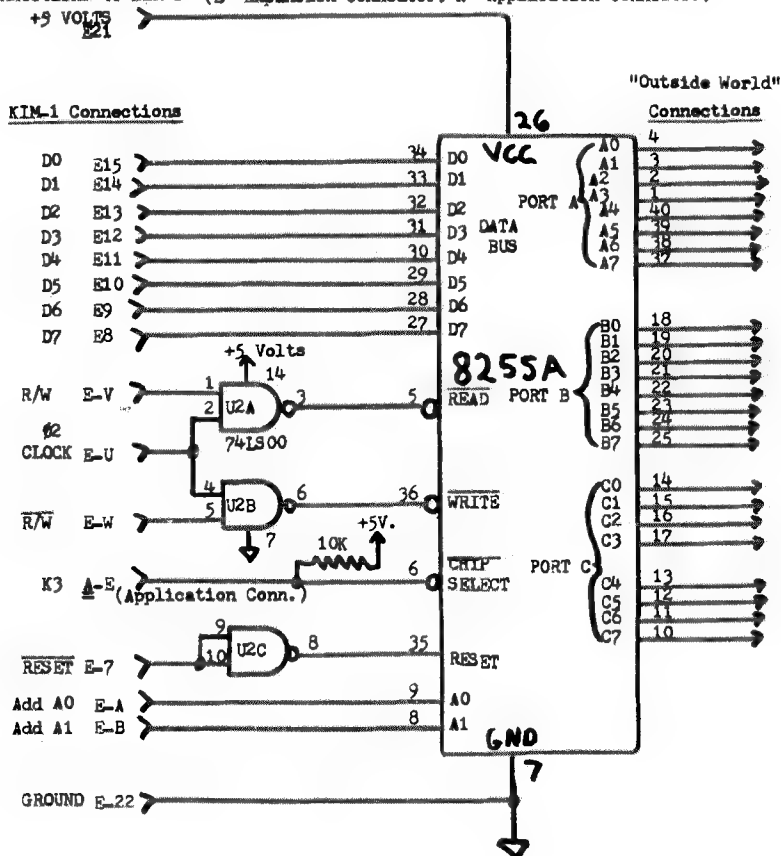
All one really has to do is make the 6502 read/writes match those expected by the 8255A.

In this demonstration application, the 8255A is hooked up to a KIM-1, in the simplest possible manner. This simplicity results in a waste of memory space in K3 of KIM's memory map. Should you wish to preserve space above 0C03, you'll have to decode A2 through A15 to disable the PIA when using memory and vice-versa.

It is expected that this setup should work with SYM and AIM, but since these already sport nifty 6522 VIA's, only KIM's memory areas will be mentioned.

Very briefly describing the use of the 8255A, (Radio Shack supplies a 12-page "manual" with the chip) we see that there are chip select, read/write and reset lines similar to those used in devices such as the 6520 PIA. Also in looking at the 8255A diagram, one sees similar bidirectional DATA lines to the 6500 series. But it's at the I/O pins that this 40-pin monster shows its stuff! The 8255A has 24 (count 'em-24) available I/O pins.

Connections to KIM-1 (B= Expansion Connector, A= Application Connector)



Their functions may be chosen by an amazingly complicated set of instruction formats sent to the mode select or control register at 0C03.

Depending on variations in the format of this control word, the 24 pins are split up into 3 or more groups. Most commonly used are the groups in which the A,B, and C ports are split into units of 8 lines each, arranged as 8 in with 16 out, 24 in, 24 out, or similar combinations. In addition, port C may be split in half giving a 4/4 line fraction to these 8 line groups. Note that the 8255A is not programmable for individual line input/output as are the 65xx series devices.

Variations of the control modes yield strobed or edge triggered handshake/acknowledge lines; various combinations of simultaneous bidirectional ports; and a unique mode allowing the setting or resetting of 8 individual lines on port C by decoding 3 bits of the control register-as in a one-of-eight decoder/selector!

The 8255's reset line behaves in a manner similar to 65xx devices-bringing all outputs to a tri-state condition. This also resets the mode register-so be sure any application you have restores the control word after a reset.

Space cannot allow further description of this versatile device-the National Semiconductor manual provided by Radio Shack with the chip, or an Intel catalog will be required to provide full details. However, here's a brief application program for the KIM-1 to demonstrate one of the 8255A modes:

---ALL PORTS BECOME OUTPUTS FOR DATA---

```
0200 A9 80      LDA# Code for all ports="OUTPUT"
0202 8D 03 0C   STAabs 0C03=Control register
0205 A9 xx      LDA# user data for Port A out.
0207 8D 00 0C   STAabs 0C00=Port A
020A A9 xx      LDA# user data for Port B out.
020C 8D 01 0C   STAabs 0C01=Port B
020F A9 xx      LDA# user data for Port C out.
0211 8D 02 0C   STAabs 0C02=Port C
0214 00        BRK
```

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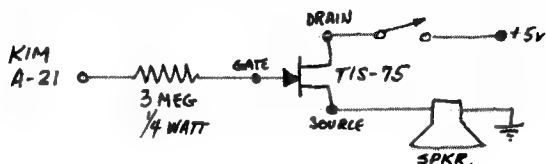
This uses (with a tiny bit of hardwiring) toggling of the 6530-002 PAO for tone production, leaving the 6530-003 output port free for more important work. It uses 4 locations in the KIM-reserved area of zero-page, that are not normally in use when KIM is "singing". Both the duration and the frequency of the tone are controlled by a single byte, program-set in 00F7 before the JSR SINGER, and not altered by the operation. Locations 00F6, 00FD, and 00FE are used as working registers, but need no setting and are all zeroed when the signal ends. They control 3 loops, and a call to SINGER does not alter the X- or Y-registers. The coding (with instructions numbered in parentheses) is:

## SUBROUTINE "SINGER"

```
(1) A9 01      (sets 6530-002 PAO as
(2) 8D 41 17   an output)
(3) A5 F7      (LDA the pre-set control number)
(4) 85 F6      (STA into 00F6)
(5) 85 FD      (STA into 00FD)
(6) 49 FF      (EOR#FF complements accumulator)
(7) 85 FE      (STA into 00FE)
(8) EE 40 17   (toggles PAO by an INC)
(9) C6 FE      (decrement 00FE, the frequency control)
(10) EA EA EA  (sequence of 3 NOPS, extra frequency control)
(11) D0 F9      (if 00FE not zero, back to (9))
(12) C6 FD      (decrement duration control number in 00FD)
(13) D0 F0      (if not zero, back to (7))
(14) 49 FF      (regenerate control number in accumulator)
(15) C6 F6      (decrement duration control number in 00F6)
(16) D0 E6      (if not zero, back to (5))
(17) 60         (RTS)
```

The 3 NOPS at (10) are not strictly necessary, but (if the subroutine is in RAM) can be overwritten by one of 3 "neutral" JSRs to the KIM-ROM that have no effect on the processor status but prolong the fundamental timing of the innermost loop. Durations are prolonged about 1.4X by 20 4B 19, about 1.7X by 20 48 19, and about 1.9X by 20 45 19. Whichever of the 4 options is used, tone frequency is lowest and duration longest with an 00F7 value of FF or 00. Frequency rises from 01 to FE. Duration is short at either end, increasing to a near-plateau (about 35 seconds for the 3-NOP option) in the midrange from 90 to C0. One can control duration best at the low and high range of frequencies, or obtain relatively constant duration and vary the frequency in the midrange. The upper audible limit is about F7 for the 3-NOP option, somewhat higher for the other options; higher frequencies are more attention-getting and so better for warnings. For use as a simple time delay (without sound) enter SINGER at instruction (3).

**HARDWARE ADDITION TO KIM-1.** The following circuit provides KIM-1 with its own voice, a miniature 2.75" PM 8-ohm speaker. Users who have modified their audio cassettes for use as an audio amplifier can get much louder sound by connecting the JFET source to its audio input. The JFET is an inexpensive surplus TIS-75. The switch is optional; KIM LED displays in which PAO in active cause a hum, that can be switched off if the user finds it annoying.



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I would like to point out that, contrary to the "Note" on page 8 of the KIM-2 Users Manual, this 4K board can easily be inserted into the memory block 0400-13FF with only two extra resistors, as follows:

-do not connect pin 16 of KIM-2 to KIM-1 pin AK; leave AK jumpered to ground, and pin 16 simply disconnected.

-do not connect pins S, T, U on KIM-2 to KIM-1 at all; instead, tie them together at the connector, then through a 1K pull-up to +5V.

-Wire-OR the KIM-1, K1, K2, K3, and K4 decoder outputs (U4) together (AC, AD, AE, AF on KIM-1), and then through a 2K pull-up to +5V. Connect the common tie point of the four decoder outputs to pin R on KIM-2.

-Set the on-board DIP switches S1, S2, S3, S4 to off, off, off, on (note that the description on Fig. 3 of the KIM-2 Users Manual as to the appearance of the DIP switch seems to be just opposite to what it should be).

## INTERFACING THE TVT-2 VIDEO BOARD WITH THE KIM-1

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Those of us who are not fortunate enough to own a hard-copy TTY often choose one of Don Lancaster's video display units as an alternative. His TVT-6 is very popular and in wide use these days, but the older TVT-2 with the serial interface adapter (SIA) option, (although larger and more expensive) does it all with hardware, tying up neither KIM memory nor input-output ports. The display is a clean, snow-free 16 line by 32 character display. The only trouble is - its serial interface produces RS-232 signals with a wide variety of baud rates and parity/bit number choices, while the TTY input on KIM wants 20 ma. current-loop signals with Teletype Corporation ASR-33 compatibility. Also, the older keyboard (the KBD-2) which Southwest Technical Products Corp. used to furnish with its TVT-2 kit, has no RUBOUT key. Overcoming these differences took a bit of experimenting, but the results are well worth the trouble.

The first order of business is to arrange for RS-232-to-20 ma.-interfacing. Although a number of simple interface circuits have been published, I chose a slightly modified version of the circuit given in 6502 User Notes No. 4 and also in Pyramid Data System's "XIM User Manual."<sup>1,2</sup> The original circuit would not drive the TVT-2's RS-232 input, but a simple resistance change fixed the problem (see Figure 1). The transistors can be any general purpose silicon types that will handle 12 volts. I used a 2N2222 for the NPN and a 2N5139 for the PNP. This circuit places KIM's TTY KBD input at +5v. for a RS-232 signal of -12v. (logical one) and at ground for a RS-232 signal of +12v. (logical zero). The interface was built on a small piece of perf-board and mounted with a fiber stand-off at the upper right-hand corner of the TVT-2's SIA board-there is room for one small hole, carefully drilled, just to the left of diode D7. That board is crowded! +5v. and -12v. are taken from the same board, as indicated on Figure 1.

It was not clear, from reading the KIM manuals, what form the bit stream into TTY KBD should take. The TVT-2 serial interface provides a number of combinations for parity type and bit number, depending on installation of jumpers D through K on

the SIA board. The KIM TTY monitor was found to operate properly with no jumpers installed, providing no parity, 8-bit code, bit 8 = 1. (I also use my TVT-2 with a Pennywhistle 103 modem to access The University of Alabama's Univac 1110 system through its dial-up ports, so I used a switch to provide even parity with no bit 8, as an option.)

If the KBD-2 keyboard is used, it must be provided with a RUBOUT key. This is easily done by using one of the uncommitted keys, as shown on Figure 2. For those with other keyboards, a study of its circuit diagram should show how to provide RUBOUT (ASCII \$FF) if it is not so equipped already.

The system described above allows me to handle I/O from the KIM built-in monitor with no loss of memory space or use of the application ports. It also works beautifully with Pyramid Data System's XIM program, which provides an extended set of TTY commands for users with 1K of additional memory. If you want graphics, or need a denser screen of text, MTU's Visible Memory board will give you a video screen of 64,000 dots to work with, in an 8K expansion board. Two of these, plus the TVT-2, provide 16K of expansion memory and three independent video displays in my system.

Incidentally, SWTP's SIA board provides all standard baud rates between 110 and 1200 baud for those willing to add a crystal and a few other parts. My KIM works fine at all these data rates, in contrast to reports in the literature of troubles at rates over 300 baud. A hex dump at 1200 baud does require a quick trigger finger on the reset key!

#### References

1. Kim-1/6502 User notes, No. 4, p. 3.
2. "XIM Extended I/O Monitor for the KIM-1," Pyramid Data Systems, New Egypt, N.J., p. 6.

#### KIM BATTERY BACKUP

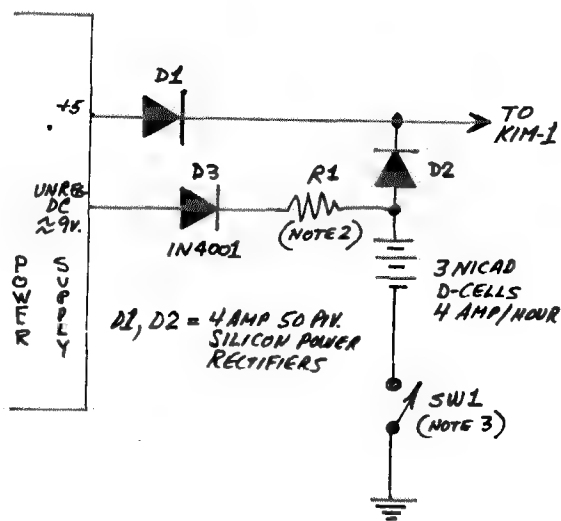
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I have installed a backup power source which is automatically switched in and now a momentary power interruption won't scramble KIM-1's brain. I used D-cell sized 4 amp hour NICADS. As the fully charged terminal voltage is 1.45 volts three (3) cells yield 4.5 volts approximately. This seems to be enough to keep things cooking. See the attached schematic for the hook up details.

- NOTE 1 - Regulator must be reset to give 5 volts DC at the KIM-1 power input terminal. There is some voltage drop across a diode.
- NOTE 2 - The value of resistor R. determines the charging rate to the NICADS. This will vary with the size and type of NICADS used.
- R. =  $\frac{\text{UNREGDC} - \text{BATT VOLTS}}{\text{CHARGING RATE I}}$
- NOTE 3 - The switch allows disabling of the battery. It could be an additional pole on the AC ON/OFF switch if desired.

The diode (D<sub>1</sub>) in the 5 volt bus from the power supply prevents the regulator from loading the battery during power loss the diode D<sub>3</sub> in the charging circuit serves the same purpose. The diode D<sub>2</sub> disconnects the battery from the bus under normal conditions.

The same idea could be implemented using high current alkaline D-cells if desired. Just delete the charging circuit, as alkaline cells cannot usually be recharged.



## CASSETTE stuff

#TAPE LOAD DISPLAY ON KIM LEDS

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#LOAD MEMORY FROM TAPE WITH DISPLAY  
#ON LEDS LIKE MICRO-ADE ASSEMBLER.  
#THE LEDS WILL DISPLAY THE FOLLOWING:

#WHILE THE KIM IS LOOKING FOR DATA,  
#A FLICKERING 8 IS DISPLAYED IN THE  
#RIGHTMOST LED.

#THE SYNCH CHAR IS DISPLAYED AS THE  
#RIGHT TWO VERTICALS AND LEFT LOWER  
#VERTICAL

#THE DATA IS DISPLAYED AS THE TOP  
#TWO VERTICALS AND THE BOTTOM HORIZONTAL.

#IF THE SYNCH COMES ON THEN GOES  
#BACK TO THE THE 8, THEN KIM DID  
#NOT READ THE PROPER ID NUMBER  
#AND WILL CONTINUE SEARCHING.  
#IF YOU HIT RESET, THE ID THAT  
#WAS READ FROM THE TAPE CAN BE  
#DISPLAYED BY EXAMINING LOCATION  
#0000.

#PUT YOUR SEARCH ID AT LOCATION  
#1780, HIT '+' AND GO AT 1781.  
#LOCATION 000F1 IS SET TO 000 BY  
#THIS PROGRAM.

DECMDE =000F1  
SRD =1742  
SAVX =17E9  
VEB =17EC  
PAD =1740  
PADD =1741  
INTVEB =1932  
RDHYT =19F3  
RDCHT =1A24  
RDBIT =1A41

```

01-0240 2000          *=$1780
01-0241 1780          .OFF 2780
01-0245 1780          ID      *=$+1          ;SEARCH ID GOES HERE
01-0250 1781          START LDA #0          ;SET UP FOR DECIMAL
01-0255 1781 A9 00     STA DECMDE         ;MODE
01-0260 1783 85 F1     LDA #$7F         ;TURN ON LED
01-0265 1785 A9 7F     STA PADD          ;BY SET DD REG
01-0270 1787 8D 41 17 CLD
01-0275 178A D8
01-0280 178B
01-0285 178B          ;THIS IS LIKE $1873 ON KIM
01-0290 178B
01-0295 178B A9 8D     XLOADT LDA #$8D      ;INIT VOLATILE EXEC
01-0300 178D 8D EC 17 STA VEB             ;WITH STA ABS.
01-0305 1790 20 32 19 JSR INTVEB
01-0310 1793
01-0315 1793 A9 13     LDA #$13          ;TURN ON CASSETTE HARDWARE
01-0320 1795 8D 42 17 STA SBD
01-0325 1798
01-0330 1798 A9 4C     LDA #$4C          ;JUMP TYPE RETURN
01-0335 179A 8D EF 17 STA VEB+3
01-0340 179D A9 0F     LDA #$0F
01-0345 179F 8D F0 17 STA VEB+4
01-0350 17A2 A9 19     LDA #$19
01-0355 17A4 8D F1 17 STA VEB+5
01-0360 17A7 A9 FF     LDA $FFF          ;CLEAR SAUX FOR SYNC AREA
01-0365 17A9 8D E9 17 STA SAUX
01-0370 17AC
01-0375 17AC 20 41 1A XSYNCA JSR RDBIT      ;GET A BIT
01-0380 17AF 4E E9 17 LSR SAUX           ;SHIFT BIT INTO CHAR
01-0385 17B2 0D E9 17 ORA SAUX
01-0390 17B5 8D E9 17 STA SAUX
01-0395 17B8 8D 40 17 STA PAD
01-0400 17BB C9 16     TST  CMP #$16      ;PUT IT ON LED
01-0405 17BD 0D ED     BNE XSYNCA         ;IS IT A SYNC CHAR?
01-0410 17BF 20 24 1A XSYNCB JSR RDCHT      ;NO, TRY AGAIN
01-0415 17C2 8D 40 17 STA PAD           ;IN SYNC ?, READ A CHAR
01-0420 17C5 C9 2A     CMP #$2A          ;DISPLAY ON LED
01-0425 17C7 D0 F2     BNE TST           ;IF NOT, LOOP AGAIN
01-0430 17C9
01-0435 17C9 20 F3 19 XLOADK JSR RDBYT      ;READ ID FROM TAPE
01-0440 17CC 85 00     STA $0000         ;STORE FOR YOUR INFO
01-0445 17CE CD 80 17 CMP ID             ;COMPARE WITH REQUESTED ID
01-0450 17D1 F0 0D     BEQ KIM           ;YES, THEN LOAD IT
01-0455 17D3 AD 80 17 LDA ID             ;WHAT ABOUT DEFAULT $00
01-0460 17D6 C9 00     CMP #$00          ;IS IT $00?
01-0465 17D8 F0 06     BEQ KIM           ;THEN LOAD IT
01-0470 17DA C9 FF     CMP $FFF          ;DEFAULT $FF? IGNORE TAPE SA
01-0475 17DC F0 05     BEQ KIMFF         ;YES, THEN LOAD TO ADDR $17F
01-0480 17DE D0 CC     BNE XSYNCA         ;NO ?, THEN TRY AGAIN
01-0485 17E0 KIM      JMP $18D7          ;LOADT5 IN KIM ROM
01-0490 17E0 4C D7 18 KIMFF JMP $18EC      ;LOADT6 IN KIM ROM
01-0495 17E3 4C EC 18
01-0500 17E6
01-0505 17E6          .END

```

#### CASSETTE SAVE USING ALTERNATE STARTING ADDRESS

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Occasionally it can be useful to read a cassette file into a memory block other than the one from which it was dumped. For the first file on a tape, this is easily accomplished using the load ID 'FF'. The procedure below permits placing onto tape, during a dump, a starting address DIFFERENT from the one at which the code being dumped actually resides, and hence permits reading that code back in at the alternate address. (This might be useful, for example, if one intended to subsequently reload the file into an unused realm of memory and later transfer selected portions of it to its normal residence; or for using a page-one staging of Hypertape to record a program that is intended to reside, later, in page one; or for other sorts of memory conflicts that are temporary consequences of some program development stage.)

Let SAL, SAH, EAL, EAH, ID have their usual I/O interpretation, and let RAL and RAH stand for the low and high bytes of the 'recall' address, the address you wish to have recorded on tape as the starting address.

Enter the following values: Then 'GO' from 1808 (0108 Hypertape). This bypasses the normal initialization routine which moves 17E5,6 into 17ED,E.

17E7 00 clear checksum

17E8 00

17EC AD

17ED SAL actual code location

17EE SAH

17EF 60

17F5 RAL recall address

17F6 RAH

17F7 EAL as for

17F8 EAH an ordinary

17F9 ID dump

Although the contents of 17F5,6 will be written to the tape as the starting address, the values keyed into 17ED,E will point to the first byte of code that is fetched for dumping to tape.

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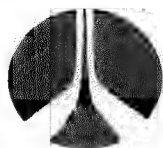
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# AIM info

## AIM PRINTER MODIFICATIONS

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If the columns on your printer are wavy, you may benefit from a factory recommended modification which usually cures this problem. Print 20 rows of 20 "I"'s & check for straight columns.

If yours wave noticeably, add two jumpers on the back of the main board as follows:

From Z36 Pin 10 to Z20 Pin 6  
From Z36 Pin 15 to Z20 Pin 3

This modification adds pull up resistors to the output pins of a flip flop circuit to improve its stability.

I've made a second change which has improved the quality of my printer. It's too soon to tell if there are any adverse side effects though, so, if you want to try it, beware!

My printer printed too light. Even with VR2 adjusted to the maximum, All I got was a pale blue on white. I couldn't get enough contrast to make it easily readable.

To cure this, I replaced the 2K pot at VR2 with a 5K pot. This allowed me to up the voltage to the thermal print heads to about 22 volts. The manual says this should be 18-20 volts but this is probably an actual peak voltage. I now measure 22 volts at Pin 6 of Connector J2 while doing a memory dump to the printer ("D" Command). This is an average voltage since the VTVM I have isn't fast enough to measure peak voltage.

Anyway, I now have a crisp, clear contrast on my thermal tapes with no apparent overheating of the print head. The long term affects are yet to be seen.

I guess I'm hard on printers. First I try to sand the heads down with an abrasive paper and then I try to melt them down with more than the recommended voltage!

## AIM65 BASIC--DATA SAVE/LOAD SCHEME

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I liked Christopher Flynn's idea of being able to read and write arrays from Basic (issue #15), but decided it was too limited. So I attempted to extend his idea on the AIM65 Basic. The pointer locations for the AIM were different, but easily found from his description. Since the AIM uses a block structured tape format, it can easily accommodate the differing data types and extra processing time that they would incur during the save/load. But this quickly got out of hand, so I determined to crack Basic and try to use some of its search routines to save space. After disassembling all of Basic and partially decoding some of it (whew! not an easy job!), I discovered the following:

1) The LOAD command does only one thing--a jump to WHEREI, in the monitor, which does the set up for any input device. If you specify tape, all input comes from tape until a <ctl-Z> is encountered, at which point Basic forces a change back to the standard input and output.

2) The SAVE command calls WHEREO (\$E871) and then LIST's the program to tape. (i.e. source form, not the compressed form which some of the other basics use). WHEREO sets up the output device and sets the output flag to the appropriate value.

When I saw this, I decided to discard the assembly language routine and try to do the job from Basic. If it worked, it would entail no hardware, I would not have to fool around with a machine language program each time I wanted to save/load, and it could be incorporated into only those programs that really needed it, rather than being resident at all times. As a simple test, I saved a text file on tape with a <ctl-Z> as the last line of the file. The following program was then run:

```
10 LOAD
20 INPUT A$
30 PRINT A$
40 GOTO 20
```

This read in the tape and echoed it to the display. When it reached the <ctl-Z> it was forced back to the standard input, and waited for keyboard input. Success!! But be careful! INPUT still expects its input to be terminated by carriage returns, and commas between multiple arguments.

A friend and I tested a program to write to tape, from Basic, by using POKE and USR to call up WHEREO and DULL(\$E50A). DULL outputs the last block to tape, shuts off the oscillator (VIA), and returns you to the standard input/output. The following subroutines are a direct result of that test. The "#" is output so you can differentiate between text/basic, object, and Basic data files easily.

(<" ">=text/basic,<CR>=object,<"#",CR>=basic data)

```
2000 REM SET UP FOR BASIC DATA LOAD 8/6/79 slb
2005 LOAD
2010 INPUT ZZ$: IF ZZ$+"#" THEN RETURN
2015 PRINT! "***NOT A BASIC DATA FILE**"
2020 PRINT! ZZ$: GOSUB 2080 :REM RESET TO STANDARD
    I/O
2025 STOP
2030 RETURN
```

```
2050 REM SET UP FOR BASIC DATA SAVE 8/7/79 slb &
    wjs
2055 POKE 41993,48: REM SET UP INTER-BLOCK GAP
2060 POKE 4,113: POKE 5,232: REM WHEREO($E871)
2065 X=USR(1): PRINT "#": RETURN
```

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2070 REM CLOSE BASIC DATA FILE
2075 PRINTCHR$(26);CHR$(13);CHR$(13)
2080 POKE 4,10: POKE 5,229: X=USR(1): REM DULL
    (E50A)
2085 RETURN
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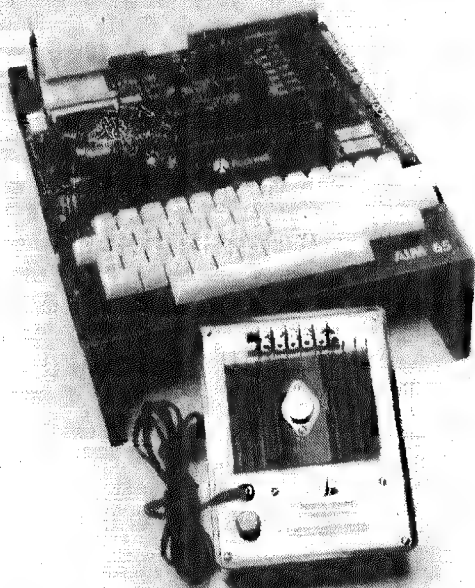
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99 REM EXAMPLE SAVE USING BASIC SUBR.
100 GOSUB 2050 : REM OPEN OUTPUT FILE
115 REM OUTPUT NOW GOES TO TAPE/PRINTER/PAPER
    TAPE/...
120 FOR I=1 TO 5
125 PRINT SQR(I): PRINT "OK";I
130 NEXT I
140 GOSUB 2070 : REM CLOSE OUTPUT FILE
150 PRINT! "DONE!"
160 END
170 REM BY STEVE BRESSON & BILL SEMANCIK
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```
200 REM EXAMPLE LOAD USING BASIC SUBR
210 GOSUB 2000 : REM OPEN INPUT AND CHECK FILE
    TYPE
220 FOR I=1 TO 5
230 INPUT J: INPUT JS
240 NEXT J
250 PRINT!"DONE!"
260 END
270 REM WHEN THE CTL-Z IS ENCOUNTERED, INPUT WILL
280 REM REVERT BACK TO THE KEYBOARD.
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With this you now have the capability of saving and loading strings and data (in text form) form Basic.



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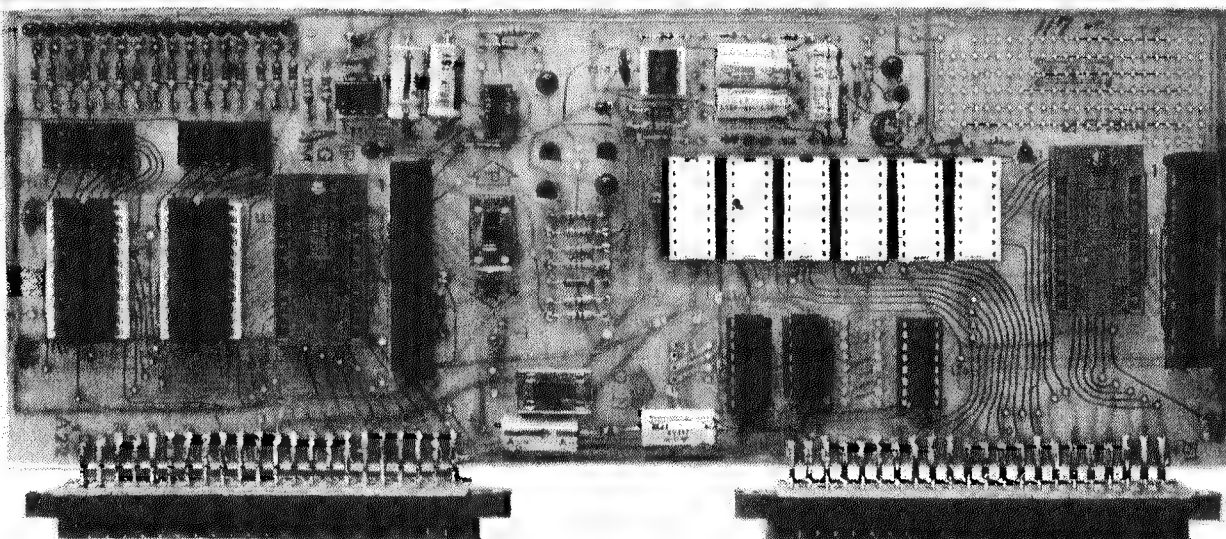


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"...The Audio Cassette Interface seems to be insensitive. You may improve the sensitivity by soldering a 4700 pF condenser between pin 7 and 8 of Z8 (LM311) and eventually readjust VR1. This modification cures the high-frequency oscillation tendency of Z8 and the required signal level from the Taperecorder may drop to 30 mV. This modification has been carried out on four AIM65, all with improvements in performance.

At the present I am trying to modify MICRO-CHESS for use in AIM65 but I have some difficulties because most of page 1 is occupied. Hopefully, I will also have TINY BASIC running in a short while."

# SYM

TINY BASIC FOR SYM

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Included with this letter, is a description of how we have modified Tiny BASIC to run on SYM, and included a small Dump/Load feature, that can be called by USR.

I hope that you can use it for the Notes, and that you will find space to mention our presence.

The lack of a danish magazine makes it very difficult for us to get in touch with 6502 users, and due to a poor representation of the manufactures, we sometimes feel very lonely.

Tiny BASIC for SYM-1

Dump/Load feature

X8C7	20 86 8B	DUMP	JSR	ACCESS
X8CA	A2 03		LDXIM	\$03
X8CC	9D 4B A6	SETP2	STAX	PARM2
X8CF	B5 1E		LDAX	\$001E
X8D1	CA		DEX	
X8D2	D0 F8		BNE	SETP2
X8D4	E8		INX	
X8D5	B5 24	SETP1	LDAX	\$0024
X8D7	9D 4A A6		STAX	PARM1
X8DA	CA		DEX	
X8DB	10 F8		BPL	SETP1
X8DD	A0 80		LDYIM	\$80
X8DF	20 87 8E		JSR	DUMPT
X8E2	90 15		BCC	EXIT
X8E4	20 86 8B	LOAD	JSR	ACCESS
X8E7	8D 4E A6		STA	ID
X8EA	A0 80		LDYIM	\$80
X8EC	20 78 8C		JSR	LOADT
X8EF	B0 0C		BCS	EXIT
X8F1	A5 FE		LDA	EAL
X8F3	85 24		SAT	\$0024
X8F5	A5 FF		LDA	EAH
X8F7	85 25		STA	\$0025
X8F9	A9 00		LDAM	\$00
X8FB	A0 00		LDYIM	\$00
X8FD	4C 9C 8B	EXIT	JMP	NACC

To dump a memory image of your program, key in:

A=USR(10439,1)

and the program will be written with ID-01, after the usual 8 second delay.

Load the program again by:

A=USR(10468,1)

A will be returned with the value zero, if OK, and -1 if error.

# OSI

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Dear Eric,

Thank-you for your personal assistance while constructing the 32K RAM board (6502 User Notes #15), article by J. C. Williams. Also my thanks for the information on the alternate source for the OSI prototyping board (6502 User Notes #15), article by R. F. Solomon.

The board appears compatible with the OSI 48 pin bus and the C-2-4P with your suggested modification!

The only modification the C-2-4P needed was and additional small 12V @ 500ma. power supply, with I mounted inside the cabinet of the machine. The modification to the RAM Board was an additional IC, a 7400, tied into the Data Direction pin (B4 on the OSI bus).

I used pots for R1, R2, and R3 to set up the timing and without the use of a scope was quite tricky.

Through information obtained from your publication and from it's Readers, I am currently running 36K in my C-2-4P with a very little outlay of cash!

Hoping to see more information on the OSI machines in the future and hopefully your publication and it's readers will shed some light on the poorly documented OSI equipment.

P.S. I also take this opportunity to thank Mr. Williams and Mr. Solomon for their articles, which started the entire undertaking.

Gratefully yours,

Ron Regal  
6011 Alton Ave.  
Berkeley, CA 94704

OSI Bus

DP B4

R/N B40



To: Pin8, u3  
Board SELECT

P.S. I derived  
Q2 from OSI  
bus signal B-39.

MODIFICATION FOR USE  
WITH OSI 48 Pin Bus

# ZERO-PAGE MAP FOR BASIC IN THE C2-4P by Edward Carlson 3872 Raleigh Dr., Okemos, MI 48864

Enclosed are two copies of the beginning of a memory map of page \$00. If you have anything to add or correct about any entries, I would very much appreciate getting your comments. If I get a substantial amount of information in this way, I will send out a second, more complete map. I also would like information on pages 01 and 02, and any useful POKES or other program ideas.

Page \$00 after = cold start. C2-4P with 16K memory and a BASIC-IN-ROM Version 1.0 Rev. 3.2.

00	4C 74 A2	JMP to BASIC ROM
03	4C C3 A8	JMP to BASIC ROM
06	05 AE	INVAR
08	C1 AF	OUTVAR
0A	4C 88 AE	JMP to USR(X) in BASIC ROM
0D	00 00	?
0F	48 33	Concerns terminal line length
11	00 40	\$4000 is address of first non-BASIC memory
13	00 --	later, contains line number of line in buffer.
...		\$13 is start of line buffer
57	-- --	End of line buffer
58	-- --	Concerns error messages?
5B	22 22	Enter (delete) line RETURN, BREAK M, then contains line number.
5D	-- --	?
5F	FF --	?
61	00 --	?
63	-- 00	?
65	68 65	?
67	00 06	?
69	92 A1	Address in BASIC ROM.
6B	-- --	?
6D	-- --	?
6F	-- --	?
71	92 A1	Indirect address in BASIC ROM.
73	47 9B	?
75	-- --	Used with RND(X)
77	-- --	?
79	01 03	Address of start of source program in RAM
7B	03 03	single variable table
7D	03 03	array variable table
7F	03 03	empty BASIC memory
81	FF 3F	concatenated array strings
83	-- --	Address of start of concatenated single strings.
85	FF 3F	non-BASIC memory
87	-- FF	Current line number.
89	-- --	?
8B	-- 00	?Address of current BASIC line?
8D	-- --	?
8F	00 03	Current address in DATA statements.
91	-- --	An address, about DATA statements?
93	-- --	?
95	12 --	Address of length in a string variable?
97	-- --	Address of (current?) variable.
99	-- --	?
9B	-- --	?
9D	-- --	?
9F	-- 03	?

A1	4C -- 00	JMP to an address in BASIC ROM.
A4	-- --	Addresses in page 02?
A6	-- --	"
A8	FE 00	?
AA	-- --	?
AC	06 92	?
AE	68	FACHI
AF	00	FACLO
B0	20 --	?
B2	00 80	?
B4	00 00	?
B6	10 00	?
B8	92 A1	Address in BASIC ROM.
BA	98 A1	Address in BASIC ROM.
BC	E6 C3	INC L0 byte of address of BASIC line; This is the start of a subroutine to go through a line character by character.
BE	D0 02	BNE
C0	E6 C4	INC HI byte if needed
C2	AD 00 03	LDA with a character of the line.
C5	C9 3A	CMP #\$3A Is it a colon?
C7	B0 0A	BCS : is a statement ender, branch to RTS
C9	C9 20	CMP #\$20 Is it a space?
CB	F0 EF	BEQ If yes, go get another character.
CE	E9 33	SEC set carry
D0	38	SBC #\$33
D1	E9 D0	SBC #\$D0
D3	60	RTS End of subroutine.
D4	80 4F	? Varies during running of program.
D6	C7 52	"
D8	--	Stays empty
...		
FB	00 00	Monitor
FD	--	"
FE	FE 00	"

## PRODUCT ANNOUNCEMENT

Los Alamos NM - TIS, the company that offers a full line of workbooks and software packages for the Commodore PET/CBM computers, announces a new product for the Ohio Scientific Challenger LP. Getting Started With Your Challenger LP introduces the fundamentals of CLP BASIC and explains its characteristics, limitations and useful features. This document discusses calculator and program mode, input and output, data representation, and program storage on cassette.

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049 0219 68 PLA
050 021A 69 FF ADC #5 FF
051 021C 4C 0B 1C JMP SAVE1+6
052 ;
053 ;
054 ;
055 ;
056 ; REAL DELUXE
057 ; <><><><><><>
058 ;
059 ;
060 0000 **$6C00
061 6C00 85 F3 NMIENT STA ACC
062 6C02 68 PLA
063 6C03 85 F1 STA PREG
064 6C05 68 PLA
065 6C06 85 EF STA PCL
066 6C08 68 PLA
067 6C09 4C 26 6C JMP STORE
068 6C0C 85 F3 IRGENT STA ACC
069 6C0E 68 PLA
070 6C0F 48 PHA
071 6C10 29 10 AND #5 10
072 6C12 D0 05 BNE BRKCMD
073 6C14 A5 F3 LDA ACC
074 6C16 6C FC 17 JMP (USINT)
075 6C19 68 BRKCMD PLA
076 6C1A 85 F1 STA PREG
077 6C1C D8 CLD
078 6C1D 18 CLC
079 6C1E 68 PLA
080 6C1F 69 FD ADC #5 FD
081 6C21 85 EF STA PCL
082 6C23 68 PLA
083 6C24 69 FF ADC #5 FF
084 6C26 85 F0 STORE STA PCH
085 6C28 84 F4 STY YREG
086 6C2A 86 F5 STX XREG
087 6C2C BA TSX
088 6C2D 86 F2 STX SPUSER
089 6C2F A9 01 LDA #5 01
090 6C31 2C 40 17 BIT SAD
091 6C34 F0 03 BEQ TTY
092 6C36 4C DC 1C JMP PCCMD
093 6C39 20 2F 1E TTY JSR CRLF
094 6C3C A5 F0 LDA PCH
095 6C3E 20 3B 1E JSR PRTBYT
096 6C41 A5 EF LDA PCL
097 6C43 20 3B 1E JSR PRTEYT
098 6C46 A2 41 LDX #'A
099 6C48 20 B5 6C JSR PRINT
100 6C4B A5 F3 LDA ACC

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134 6C99 A5 F1 LDA PREG
135 6C9B 20 3B 1E JSR PRTBYT
136 6C9E 29 10 AND #5 10
137 6CA0 D0 06 BNE BREAK
138 6CA2 20 2F 1E JSR CRLF
139 6CA5 4C 64 1C JMP CLEAR
140 6CA8 A2 3F BREAK LDX #'?
141 6CAA 20 B5 6C JSR PRINT
142 6CAD 20 9D 1F JSR GETBYT
143 6CB0 91 EF STA (PCL),Y
144 6CB2 4C C8 1D JMP GOEXEC
145 6CB5 20 9E 1E PRINT JSR OUTSP
146 6CB8 8A TXA
147 6CB9 20 A0 1E JSR OUTCH
148 6CBC A9 3D LDA #'=
149 6CBE 4C A0 1E JMP OUTCH
150 6CC1 06 FC STATUS ASL TEMP

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151 6CC3 A9 30 LDA #'0
152 6CC5 90 02 BCC OUTPUT
153 6CC7 A9 31 LDA #'1
154 6CC9 4C A0 1E OUTPUT JMP OUTCH
155 6CCC 3D TAE
156 6CCD 43
157 6CCE 5A
158 6CCF 49
159 6CD0 44
160 6CD1 42
161 6CD2 2A
162 6CD3 56
163 6CD4 4E
164 6CD5 20

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SAMPLE RUN UNDERLINED DATA MEANS USER INPUT

```

KIM
0000 4C
0001 4F
0002 1C
0003 4C 0C.
0004 4F
0005 00 G
0006 A=01 X=08 Y=FF S=F7 NV*BDIZC=11*10020 P=F0 ?=4C
KIM
0000 4C
1E63 A=01 X=08 Y=FF S=F5 NV*BDIZC=11*00110 P=E6

```

## SQUARE-WAVER II

by Doug Jordan

A short SQUARE-WAVE program by Slagle was published in KUN:1(5)10, but this one is only half as long. Frequency is controlled by 00 0B and 00 0D. Requires audio output at PA0.

```

00 A9 01 LDA #01 Set up PA0....
02 8D 01 17 STA PADD ... for output
05 49 01 ONE EOR #01 Flip output
07 8D 00 17 STA PAD
0A A9 xx LDA #xx Fetch frequency value
0C 3E 05 17 STA CLK E T Set timer
0F AE 07 17 TWO LDA CLK RD I Read timer
12 10 FB BPL TWO Loop 'til time up
14 30 EF BMT ONE Else loop back to toggle
16 00 END BRK

```

## KANSAS CITY COMPATABILITY

by Doug Jordan

Over a year has gone by and no one seems to have noticed the (anonymous ?) letter in the August 1977 Interface Age describing reading Kansas City Standard tapes by the unmodified KIM-1!! (vol. 2, no.9, p.9)



# REVIEWS ETC.

BOOK REVIEW

from the Editor

'6502 Applications Book' written by Rodney Zaks

The first thing I do with a new book is flip through the pages to get an initial reaction to its content.

My initial reaction to the '6502 Applications Book' was quite favorable in light of what I saw. A treatment of the family 1/0 chips, a touch tone dialer routine that used software to generate the frequencies, a morse code keyboard, a number of "quickie" interfaces and plenty of tidbits to while away the hours with.

Since I have been interested in telephone interfaces, I quickly "zeroed-in" on the touch-tone dialer program in the hopes of getting it running on my system.

One thing soon became apparent. The text mentioned that two timers would be necessary to generate the tones which would then be somehow "mixed" before going to a speaker, but there was no mention of what kind of speaker interface was necessary.

The program listing mentioned that the speaker would be hooked up in "configuration 2" but a search through the entire book failed to bring to the light of day the mysterious "configuration 2". A rank beginner would become totally frustrated.

The sobriety of the situation was lightened somewhat when I rediscovered the op-amp circuit that was presented at the end of the section as a hardware "improvement" for cleaner frequencies. "Improvement over what?" I wondered. The problem with this hardware "improvement" is that none of the parts values were indicated, not even the number of the op-amp.

As I was later to find, this "lack of attention to detail and lack of technical correctness" on the part of Zaks turned out to be the rule rather than the exception.

For instance, in another section of the book that supposedly deals with the circuitry necessary to drive relays from your computer, a circuit is shown to drive a +5 volt relay with a 7404 inverter. The very next drawing shows the schematic of a +12 volt relay with no mention of the fact that the 7404 inverter shown in the previous drawing will in no way drive a +12 volt relay (in this instance, it's assumed you're using a SYM with its built in high voltage driver capability). No mention is made of a circuit which would enable KIM or AIM to drive a +12 volt relay was ever made. (A simple circuit using an open collector driver such as the 7406 would have done the job.)

Again, very confusing for the beginner. I can't recommend this book.

Eric

POSTSCRIPT TO REVIEW: PROGRAMMING THE 6502 (Rodney Zaks, SYBEX)

I have recently received the current Erratum sheet for this book. It contains well over 70 corrections.

Some of the corrections are relatively minor, being corrections in spelling, grammar, or wording. Others completely change the sense of the text, changing "left" to "right", or "it is possible..." to "it is not possible...". There are a few minor typographical errors in the corrections themselves, but they should not give the reader any problems.

The Erratum sheet corrects most of the errors of fact I have noticed in examining the book. I am still not happy about the book's approach to the subject; even with the "mechanics" corrected, it does a poor job of showing the reader how to apply the various coding techniques to solve a given programming problem.

If you have the book, you should write Sybex and ask for the erratum sheet, revision 1.1.

The erratum also notes that "a revised and expanded edition will be available shortly". I sincerely hope that the new edition is a major improvement over the old one.

--Jim Butterfield

## PRODUCT REVIEW

by Chuck Carpenter  
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### MIMIC MICROCOMPUTER BOARD

MIMIC is a compact minimum microcomputer system. The unit has some expansion capability (an additional 128 bytes on board, a 30 pin buss external) and uses the 6500 family of microprocessors. A 45 page manual with information about the MIMIC system, data on the 6500 series microprocessor and operating instructions is included. The manual assumes you have prior knowledge of 6500 instructions for programming (or will get it from other sources).

My unit was purchased as a kit. The parts include a well-made circuit board, 10 I.C.'s including a 6504 microprocessor and a 6810 128 byte RAM, the usual variety of resistors and capacitors, 14 push button switches and 9 LED's. The switches and LED's make up the "front panel". Power can be supplied from a 6 volt lantern battery. I used about an hour to assemble and test MIMIC.

Assembly instructions are minimal and require a knowledge of electronic components and terminology. No problem for anyone with a ham license and a more than casual interest. MIMIC can also be purchased assembled for about \$65.

Programming is strictly in binary through the front panel switches. A unique latching arrangement lets you load addresses and then the data to be stored. The contents of any address can be examined at any time. I made up a form to allow hand assembly of programs and conversion to binary prior to entry. This simplified the address entry and data loading procedure. Six other switches are used for operation and control.

Writing programs relative to the stack, program counter (start vector) and interrupt vector are the responsibility of the user. In most other systems, these things are taken care of by the system monitor. It's not a problem and will certainly sharpen your programming skills. A memory map of the RAM used in your program can help keep you out of trouble. Programs are provided in the manual to help you get started. Remember: with 8 bits you can directly address only 256 bytes of memory.

I found MIMIC to be a well implemented circuit design and hardware assembly. Several mistakes, typos and mis-information in the manual will confuse the neophyte programmer. However, MIMIC can provide a low cost source for learning the "innards" of a microcomputer. In fact, the only way you can talk directly to MIMIC is in 6500 binary: the processors native language. And MIMIC has utility value too. When you're through learning about the unit, you can turn it into a controller for your thermostat or other gadget project.

MIMIC can be obtained from Real Time Intelligence Corp., PO Box 9562, Rochester, N.Y. 14604. The kit price is \$50.00. They appear to be a conscientious organization to deal with. Response has been excellent. I've enjoyed getting down to fundamentals with my MIMIC. I'm sure you will too.



# BUGS

In Issue #15 I published a letter from Leo Jacobson in which it was stated that the National Bureau of Standards had purchased 29 Pets and was having trouble getting Commodore to service them.

I learned later that Mr. Jacobson had apparently been misinformed of the situation at the NBS and at his local Computerland store. Please disregard his comments and accept my apology for not checking the facts a little more closely.

Eric

In Issue #16, two boo-boos were found by sharp readers. I really goofed the Focal cassette interface on page 15. In line 0150 of the listing, HYPER should be addressed to \$C400 (as in paragraph 4, page 15) not \$0200. Also in that same listing, line 290 should read JMP COM \*\*\*+3 (not JMP COM \*\*\*+2). That and the missing RTS instruction after line 470 through the whole thing off. Here's a hex dump of the corrected program.

```
35EB 20 A3 29 20 AC
35F0 1F 20 A3 29 20 AC 1F A5 F8 BD F9 17 A9 4C 85 00
```

```
3600 A9 00 85 F1 60 20 EB 35 A5 31 BD F5 17 A5 32 BD
3610 F6 17 A5 3E BD F7 17 A5 3F BD F8 17 A9 00 85 01
3620 A9 20 85 02 4C 00 02 AD E1 78 85 3E AD E1 78 85
3630 3F 4C 00 20 20 EB 35 A9 27 B5 01 A9 36 85 02 4C
3640 73 18 A9 4C 85 00 20 B5 2F B5 01 A5 B2 85 02 A9
3650 00 85 03 20 7B 38 84 04 20 7B 36 84 05 20 7B 36
3660 A5 03 F0 0E C9 01 F0 08 C9 02 F0 09 C9 03 F0 05
3670 A5 04 4C 00 00 A5 05 4C 00 38 A5 2B C9 2C F0
3680 04 C9 29 F0 06 20 7B 2F AB E6 03 60 36 36 04 00
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Also on page 19 (Issue #16) location \$0B75 should be \$80 (not \$08) and location \$0B9C should be \$00 (not \$AA).

Whew!!!!!!

OOPS!!! I forgot to publish Bob Leedom's add+res in #16 (he wrote BASEBALL) so here it is-14069 Stevens Valley Ct., Glenwood MD 21732. I'm sure Bob would be glad to hear any comments you may have on his neat program.

## CLUB NEWS

The San Fernando Valley KIM-1 Users Club has undergone a re-organization during the first part of the year. Jim Zuber, founder of the club, is no longer able to act as president due to an increased workload at his place of employment. Several changes have been made including a new name, new president, new meeting time and place, and new club organization. Here is the new information which you might want to publish in your excellent magazine:

**NAME** The San Fernando Valley 6502 Users Club  
**TIME** 2nd Tuesday of every month at 8:00 PM  
**PLACE** Computer Components of Burbank, Inc.  
 3808 West Verdugo Avenue, Burbank  
 California 91505  
**CONTACT** Larry Goga, 3816 Albright Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90066  
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**MEMBERSHIP** club is open to all owners of 6502 systems including AIM, SYM, KIM, APPLE, PET, etc.

Thank you once again for publishing your magazine. It is truly one of the finest publications in the area of personal computing.

## CLUB ACTIVITIES IN DENMARK

A countrywide club covering 6502 microprocessor users in Denmark has been formed.

The club aims mostly at the users of basic systems such as KIM-1, SYM-1 and AIM-65, but other 6502 users are equally welcome to join in.

Although at present no membership fee is involved, several activities has been started:

1. Local meetings where project groups are established, publications are reviewed, and systems are described and demonstrated.
2. Publication of a newsletter, "MICROPOSTEN" which covers hardware design, software, product news and general information.
3. Establishment of a software library written by and for the members on a non profit basis.

The club is independent of commercial interests.

Any further information may be obtained from:

E. Skovgaard  
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# LET-TERS

Dear Eric:

Please add my name to what I hope is a growing list of those who have successfully copied J. C. Williams' 32K RAM design from User Notes #15. I do have some circuit changes that I strongly recommend, and some caveats.

First, damping resistors should be placed between the CAS, RAS, and WRITE drivers and the memory array to reduce undershoot on these signals. (This is common industry practice). I found that a value of 100 ohms was about optimum for my board. The value must be determined experimentally for each different layout, but most other builders will probably find that a value between 50 and 100 ohms will be correct.

Second, the provision the circuit makes to perform extra refresh cycles during system restart (i.e. powerup) may not be adequate to "wake up" some parts, most notably, older NEC (Nippon Electric Company) parts. These require 8 or so RAS-with-CAS (i.e. regular read or write) cycles after power-up before they function properly. Therefore, my system's restart routine, which is in PROM, does, among its other duties, 16 READS from each 16K bank, before attempting to use that memory.

Finally, passing a given memory test, even one that runs several hours, does not guarantee that the memory is working properly. Memory tests that exercise the memory continuously overlook some problems in 16K RAMs. Some parts, most notably older NEC parts again, have a problem unrelated to refresh that causes them to forget, temporarily, when they have not been accessed with a normal read or write cycle for a few milliseconds. Therefore, a good memory test for 16K RAMs is one that writes a pattern into the memory, waits several milliseconds, then reads back the pattern to verify it. Obviously, the memory test program may not be resident in the memory being tested because instruction fetches would keep the memory busy enough to mask the problem.

Sincerely,

Bob Haas  
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# 6502 SOFTWARE

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Our user manual assumes some previous knowledge of FORTH. If you have no idea what FORTH is all about-send a S.A.S.E. (business size) and ask for a "FORTH BIBLIOGRAPHY"

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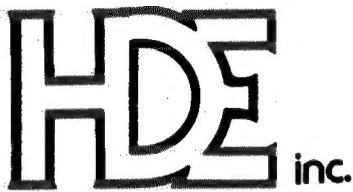
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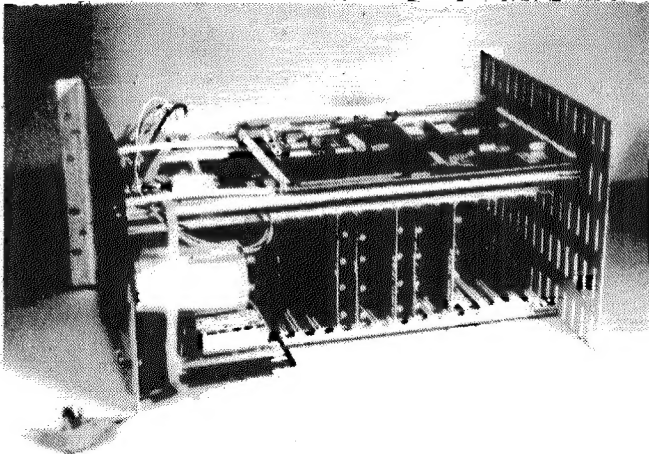
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